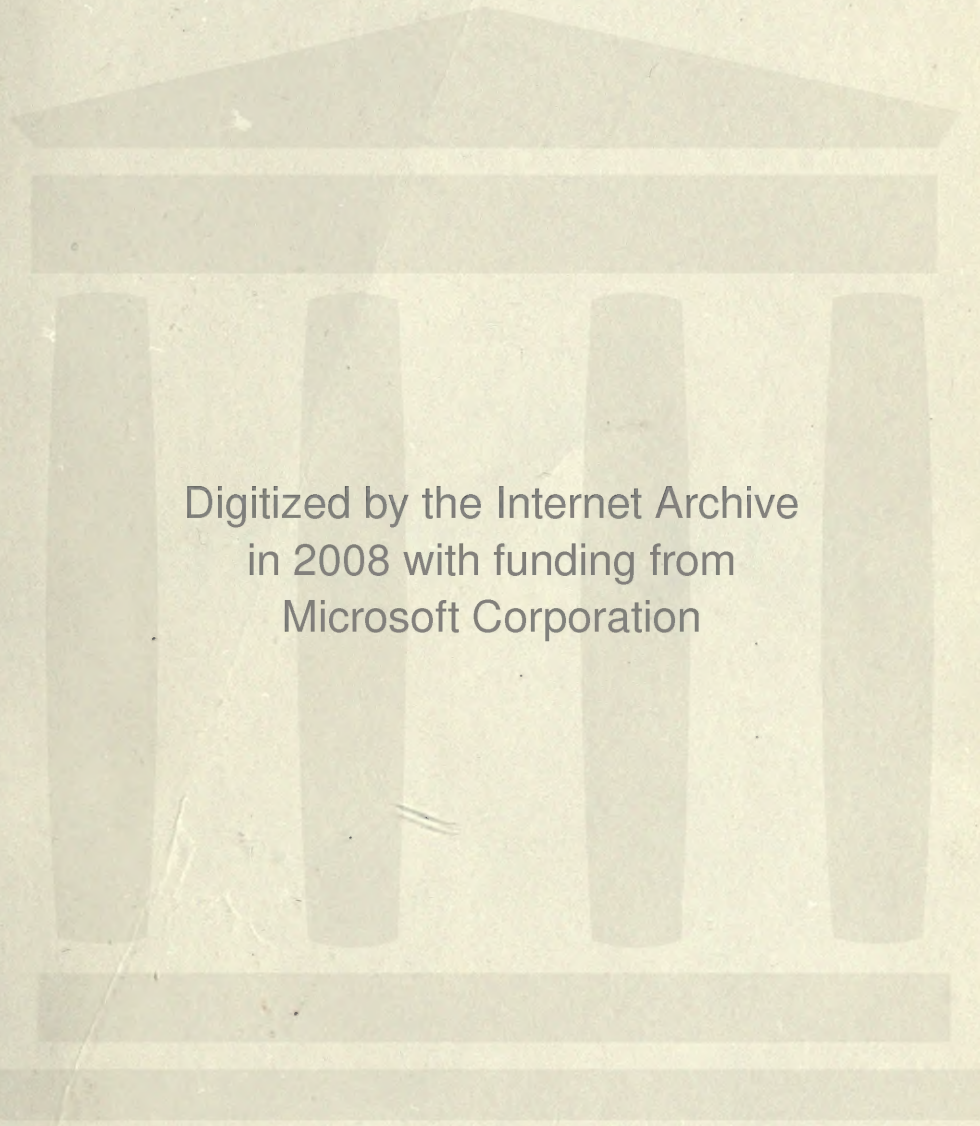




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PREFACE.

THE Revision of the Authorised Version was undertaken in consequence of a Resolution passed by both houses of the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, as has been fully explained in the Preface to the Revised Version of the New Testament, which was first published in May 1881. When the two Companies were appointed for carrying out this work, the following General Principles, among others, were laid down by the Revision Committee of Convocation for their guidance:—

‘1. To introduce as few alterations as possible into the Text of the Authorised Version consistently with faithfulness.’

‘2. To limit, as far as possible, the expression of such alterations to the language of the Authorised and earlier English Versions.’

‘4. That the Text to be adopted be that for which the evidence is decidedly preponderating; and that when the Text so adopted differs from that from which the Authorised Version was made, the alteration be indicated in the margin.’

‘7. To revise the headings of chapters and pages, paragraphs, italics, and punctuation.’

In order to shew the manner in which the Old Testament Company have endeavoured to carry out their instructions, it will be convenient to treat the subjects mentioned in the foregoing rules in a somewhat different order.

It will be observed that in Rule 4 the word ‘Text’ is used in a different sense from that in Rule 1, and in the case of the

Old Testament denotes the Hebrew or Aramaic original of the several books. In this respect the task of the Revisers has been much simpler than that which the New Testament Company had before them. The Received, or, as it is commonly called, the Massoretic Text of the Old Testament Scriptures has come down to us in manuscripts which are of no very great antiquity, and which all belong to the same family or recension¹. That other recensions were at one time in existence is probable from the variations in the Ancient Versions, the oldest of which, namely the Greek or Septuagint, was made, at least in part, some two centuries before the Christian era. But as the state of knowledge on the subject is not at present such as to justify any attempt at an entire reconstruction of the text on the authority of the Versions, the Revisers have thought it most prudent to adopt the Massoretic Text as the basis of their work, and to depart from it, as the Authorised Translators had done², only in exceptional cases. With regard to the variations in the Massoretic Text itself, the Revisers have endeavoured to translate what appeared to them to be the best reading in the text, and where the alternative reading seemed sufficiently probable or important they have placed it in the margin. In some few instances of extreme difficulty a reading has been adopted on the authority of the Ancient Versions, and the departure from the Massoretic Text recorded in the margin. In other cases, where the versions appeared to supply a very probable though not so necessary a correction of the text, the text has been left and the variation indicated in the margin only.

In endeavouring to carry out as fully as possible the spirit of Rules 1 and 2, the Revisers have borne in mind that it was their duty not to make a new translation but to revise one already existing, which for more than two centuries and a half had held

¹ The earliest MS. of which the age is certainly known bears date A.D. 916.

² See, for instance, 2 Sam. xvi. 12; 2 Chr. iii. 1, xxii. 6; Job xxxvii. 7; Ezek. xlv. 10; Am. v. 26; Hag. i. 2.

the position of an English classic. They have therefore departed from it only in cases where they disagreed with the Translators of 1611 as to the meaning or construction of a word or sentence; or where it was necessary for the sake of uniformity to render such parallel passages as were identical in Hebrew by the same English words, so that an English reader might know at once by comparison that a difference in the translation corresponded to a difference in the original; or where the language of the Authorised Version was liable to be misunderstood by reason of its being archaic or obscure; or finally, where the rendering of an earlier English version seemed preferable, or where by an apparently slight change it was possible to bring out more fully the meaning of a passage of which the translation was already substantially accurate.

It has been thought advisable in regard to the word 'JEHOVAH' to follow the usage of the Authorised Version, and not to insert it uniformly in place of 'LORD' or 'GOD', which when printed in small capitals represent the words substituted by Jewish custom for the ineffable Name according to the vowel points by which it is distinguished. It will be found therefore that in this respect the Authorised Version has been departed from only in a few passages, in which the introduction of a proper name seemed to be required.

Terms of natural history have been changed only where it was certain that the Authorised Version was incorrect and where there was sufficient evidence for the substituted rendering. In cases of doubt the alternative rendering has been given in the margin; and even where no doubt existed, but where there was no familiar English equivalent for the original word, the Old Version has been allowed to remain¹, and the more accurate term has been placed in the margin.

In some words of very frequent occurrence, the Authorised

¹ As for instance, 'coney' (Lev. xi. 5), 'fitches' (Is. xxviii. 25, 27), 'gourd' (Jon. iv. 6).

Version being either inadequate or inconsistent, and sometimes misleading, changes have been introduced with as much uniformity as appeared practicable or desirable. For instance, 'the tabernacle of the congregation' has been everywhere changed to 'the tent of meeting', on account of Exodus xxv. 22, xxix. 42, 43, and also because 'the tabernacle of *the* congregation' conveys an entirely wrong sense. The words 'tabernacle' and 'tent', as the renderings of two different Hebrew words, are in the Authorised Version frequently interchanged in such a manner as to lead to confusion; and the Revisers have endeavoured throughout the Pentateuch to preserve a consistent distinction between them. Their practice in regard to the words 'assembly' and 'congregation' has been the same in principle, although they have contented themselves with introducing greater consistency of rendering without aiming at absolute uniformity. In consequence of the changes which have taken place in the English language, the term 'meat offering' has become inappropriate to describe an offering of which flesh was no part; and by the alteration to 'meal offering' a sufficiently accurate representation of the original has been obtained with the least possible change of form.

As regards the use of words, there are only a few cases in which it has been found needful to deviate from the language employed in the Authorised Version. One of these deviations occurs so frequently that it may be well to state briefly why it was adopted. The word 'peoples' was nowhere used by King James's Translators in the Old Testament, and in the New Testament it occurs only twice (Rev. x. 11, xvii. 15). The effect of this was to leave the rendering of numerous passages inadequate or obscure or even positively misleading. Thus in one of the best known Psalms (Ps. lxxvii.), where the Septuagint has *λαοί* and the Vulgate *populi*, the English had 'Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee'; leaving it at least doubtful whether the 'nations' of verse 4, or God's people, Israel, be referred to. And in Isaiah lv. 4, 'Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the

people', the word 'people' is naturally understood by the English reader to refer to Israel.

Again, the Hebrew word *goyim* 'nations', which is applied to the nations of Canaan dispossessed by the Hebrews, and then also to the surrounding nations among whom the people of Israel were afterwards dispersed, acquired in later times a moral significance, which is represented in the Authorised Version by the rendering 'heathen' or 'Gentiles'. While recognizing this moral sense of the word, the Revisers have employed it much more sparingly than their predecessors had done.

Similarly, the Hebrew *Sheôl*, which signifies the abode of departed spirits, and corresponds to the Greek Hades, or the under world, is variously rendered in the Authorised Version by 'grave', 'pit', and 'hell'. Of these renderings 'hell', if it could be taken in its original sense as used in the Creeds, would be a fairly adequate equivalent for the Hebrew word; but it is so commonly understood of the place of torment that to employ it frequently would lead to inevitable misunderstanding. The Revisers therefore in the historical narratives have left the rendering 'the grave' or 'the pit' in the text, with a marginal note 'Heb. *Sheol*' to indicate that it does not signify 'the place of burial'; while in the poetical writings they have put most commonly 'Sheol' in the text and 'the grave' in the margin. In Isaiah xiv. however, where 'hell' is used in more of its original sense and is less liable to be misunderstood, and where any change in so familiar a passage which was not distinctly an improvement would be a decided loss, the Revisers have contented themselves with leaving 'hell' in the text, and have connected it with other passages by putting 'Sheol' in the margin.

In connexion with this it may be mentioned that 'Abaddon', which has hitherto been known to the English reader of the Bible only from the New Testament (Rev. ix. 11), has been introduced in three passages (Job xxvi. 6; Prov. xv. 11, xxvii. 20), where a proper name appears to be required for giving vividness and point.

The Hebrew word *Ashêrah*, which is uniformly and wrongly rendered 'grove' in the Authorised Version, most probably denotes the wooden symbol of a goddess; and the Revisers therefore have not hesitated to introduce it as a proper name in the singular (Judg. vi. 25, &c.), with the plurals *Asherim* (Ex. xxxiv. 13, &c.) and *Asheroth* (Judg. iii. 7, &c.), following the analogy of the *Baalim* (Judg. iii. 7) and the *Ashtaroth* (Judg. ii. 13), which are already familiar.

In regard to the language of the Authorised Version, the Revisers have thought it no part of their duty to reduce it to conformity with modern usage, and have therefore left untouched all archaisms, whether of language or construction, which though not in familiar use cause a reader no embarrassment and lead to no misunderstanding. They are aware that in so doing they will disappoint the large English-speaking race on the other side of the Atlantic, and it is a question upon which they are prepared to agree to a friendly difference of opinion. The principle by which they have been guided has been clear and consistent. Where an archaic word or expression was liable to be misunderstood or at least was not perfectly intelligible, they have substituted for it another, in equally good use at the time the Authorised Version was made, and expressing all that the archaism was intended to convey, but more familiar to the modern reader. In such cases the gain was greater than the loss. But in other instances where the word or expression, although obsolete, was not unintelligible, it was thought that the change would involve greater loss than gain, and the old rendering was therefore allowed to stand. More especially was this the case when the archaism was a perfectly correct rendering of the original and there was no exact modern equivalent for it. The principle adopted by the Company will be best illustrated by two typical examples. The verb 'to ear' in the sense of 'to plough' and the substantive 'earing' for 'ploughing' were very reluctantly abandoned, and only because it was ascertained that their meaning was un-

known to many persons of good intelligence and education. But it was easy to put in their place equivalents which had a pedigree of almost equal antiquity, and it would have been an excess of conservatism to refuse to substitute for an unintelligible archaism an expression to which no ambiguity could be attached. On the other hand the word 'bolled' (Ex. ix. 31), which signifies 'podded for seed' and is known in provincial dialects, has no synonym in literary English. To have discarded it in favour of a less accurate or more paraphrastic expression would have been to impoverish the language; and it was therefore left, because it exactly expresses one view which is taken of the meaning of the original.

One of the few instances in which the language of the Authorised Version has been modified in accordance with later usage is the change of the neuter possessive pronoun from 'his' to 'its'. It is well known that 'its' does not occur in the Bible of 1611, and it does not appear to have been introduced into any edition before 1660. But it is found ten times in Shakespeare, and there is other evidence to shew that at the time of the Authorised Version it was coming into use. It was found necessary in some cases to substitute 'its' for 'his' in order to avoid obscurity, and there seemed no good reason, when it was once introduced, for refusing to admit it generally when it referred to purely inanimate objects.

In making minor changes, whether in translation or language, the Revisers have followed the example of the translators of the Authorised Version, who allowed themselves in this respect a reasonable freedom, without permitting their liberty to degenerate into license.

It will be at once seen that the old division of the books into chapters and verses has been abandoned in favour of the arrangement in paragraphs, the numbering of the chapters and verses being however retained for convenience of reference. Where the change of subject seemed to require a greater break than was marked by the beginning of a new paragraph,

it has been indicated by a space before the paragraph. Occasionally the divisions of the chapters in the Authorised Version differ from those in the common Hebrew Bibles. In such cases the variations are given in the margin. In the Psalms, the titles are printed in smaller type, as in some modern English Bibles, which differ in this respect from the edition of 1611. One consequence of the arrangement in paragraphs has been the omission of the headings of chapters, which for other and more important reasons it was thought advisable to abandon, as involving questions which belong rather to the province of the commentator than to that of the translator. With the headings of chapters the head-lines of pages naturally disappeared also, and for the same reason.

In the poetical portions, besides the division into paragraphs, the Revisers have adopted an arrangement in lines, so as to exhibit the parallelism which is characteristic of Hebrew Poetry. But they have not extended this arrangement to the prophetic books, the language of which although frequently marked by parallelism is, except in purely lyrical passages, rather of the nature of lofty and impassioned prose.

In the use of italics the Revisers departed from the custom of the Authorised Version and adopted as their rule the following resolution of their Company:

‘That all such words now printed in italics, as are plainly implied in the Hebrew and necessary in English, be printed in common type.’

But where any doubt existed as to the exact rendering of the Hebrew, all words which have been added in order to give completeness to the English expression are printed in italic type, so that the reader by omitting them may be able to see how far their insertion is justified by the words of the original. This of course is especially true of those renderings for which an alternative is given in the margin, where the roman and italic type play exactly opposite parts.

To complete the account of the Revised Version it remains

only to describe the marginal notes. These will be found to contain

(1) The renderings of such variations in the Massoretic Text as appeared to be of sufficient importance. These variations are known by the technical names of K'ri (*read*) and C'thib (*written*), which denote that the K'ri, or reading in the margin of the Hebrew Bible, is to be substituted for the C'thib which appears in the written text. The Revisers have generally, though not uniformly, rendered the C'thib in the text, and left the K'ri in the margin, with the introductory note 'Or, according to another reading', or 'Another reading is'. When the K'ri has been followed in the text, the C'thib has been placed in the margin, if it represented a variation of sufficient importance.

(2) Alternative renderings, introduced by 'Or'. These are either different meanings of the word or passage, or they serve to connect it with other renderings elsewhere.

(3) Literal renderings of the Hebrew or Aramaic, indicated by the prefix 'Heb.' or 'Aram.'

(4) Changes of text made on the authority of the ancient Versions.

(5) Readings from ancient Versions which appeared to be of sufficient importance to be noticed.

(6) Renderings of the Hebrew consonants as read with different vowel points, or as differently divided. These are introduced by the words 'Or, as otherwise read'.

(7) Marginal references to other passages, which are either strictly parallel, or serve the purpose of illustrating or justifying a particular rendering.

(8) Explanations of certain proper names, the meaning of which is referred to in the text.

In the Proper Names the Revisers have endeavoured to ascertain the system of transliteration adopted by the Translators of the Authorised Version and to carry it out with somewhat greater consistency. They have not however attempted anything like rigid uniformity, and have left unchanged all those

names which by usage have become English ; as, for instance, Moses, Aaron, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and the like.

Among the Rules laid down by the Revision Committee of Convocation for the guidance of the Revisers was one that no change should be finally made in the text of the Authorised Version except by the vote of two-thirds of the Company present and voting ; and this Rule has been invariably acted upon. The result has been that in many cases a rendering which was preferred by the majority of the Company voting has been recorded in the margin, the majority not being sufficient to give it a place in the text. But all questions of marginal readings, as well as of punctuation and division into paragraphs, except where these affected the sense of a passage, were decided by a simple majority.

It may be of some interest to describe the method observed by the Company in their work, if only to shew that every question raised was carefully and deliberately considered. In the first Revision it was the practice for the Secretary to read over each verse, first in the original and then in the Authorised Version : the proposals for change were then taken ; first those communicated in writing by absent members, and next those made by the members present. Each proposal was moved, and if seconded was discussed and voted upon ; the decision in the first Revision being by a majority only. If a proposal met with no seconder, it was not discussed but allowed to drop. In the second Revision, the Secretary read out in order the changes which had been made at the first Revision ; if these were unchallenged they were allowed to remain, otherwise they were put to the vote and affirmed or rejected according as they were or were not supported by the requisite majority of two-thirds. In the second Revision new propositions could only be made by special permission of the Company, and discussion was limited, as far as possible, to exceptional cases. In the final review, which was in reality the completion of the second Revision, the Company employed themselves in making a general survey

of what they had done, deciding finally upon reserved points, harmonizing inconsistencies, smoothing down roughnesses, removing unnecessary changes, and generally giving finish and completeness to their work. Everything in this final survey was decided by the vote of a majority of two-thirds.

The Revisers had already made some progress, and had in fact gone twice through the Pentateuch, before they secured the co-operation of the American Old Testament Revision Company. The first Revision of the several books was submitted to the consideration of the American Revisers, and, except in the case of the Pentateuch, the English Company had the benefit of their criticisms and suggestions before they proceeded to the second Revision. The second Revision was in like manner forwarded to America, and the latest thoughts of the American Revisers were in the hands of the English Company at their final review. In every instance the suggestions from America were treated with the same consideration as those proceeding from members of the English Company, and were adopted or rejected on their merits. It was a part of the terms of agreement with the American Company that all points of ultimate difference between them and the English Revisers should be placed on record, and they will accordingly be found fully stated at the end of the Old Testament, or at the end of the several portions, according as the Revised Version appears in one or more volumes. Many of them will be found to be changes of language which are involved in the essentially different circumstances of American and English readers; others express a preference for the marginal rendering over that given in the text; others again involve a real difference of opinion; but all shew that they have been dictated by the same leading principle, the sincere desire to give to modern readers a faithful representation of the meaning of the original documents.

It could not but be expected that in the course of fourteen years many changes would take place in the members of the

Company. Of the original number who first put their hands to the work on the 30th of June 1870, only fifteen now remain. Ten of the Company have been removed by death, and two resigned: the places of these were filled from time to time by others; but since October 1875 no new members have been added. The Revision was completed in eighty-five sessions, ending on 20th June, 1884; and it occupied 792 days. The greater part of the sessions were for ten days each, and each day the Company generally sat for six hours. The labour therefore has been great, but it has been given ungrudgingly; and now with a feeling of deep thankfulness to Almighty God, and the earnest hope that their endeavours may with His blessing tend to a clearer knowledge of the Old Testament Scriptures, the Revisers bring their long task to a close.

JERUSALEM CHAMBER,
WESTMINSTER ABBEY,
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THE FIRST BOOK OF MOSES,

COMMONLY CALLED

GENESIS.

- 1 ¹ IN the beginning God created the heaven and
2 the earth. And the earth was waste and void ;
and darkness was upon the face of the deep :
and the spirit of God ¹ moved upon the face ¹ Or, *was*
3 of the waters. And God said, Let there be *brooding upon*
4 light : and there was light. And God saw the
light, that it was good : and God divided the
5 light from the darkness. And God called the
light Day, and the darkness he called Night.
And there was evening and there was morning,
one day.
- 6 And God said, Let there be a ² firmament in ² Heb. *ex-*
the midst of the waters, and let it divide the *panse.*
7 waters from the waters. And God made the
firmament, and divided the waters which were
under the firmament from the waters which were
8 above the firmament : and it was so. And God
called the firmament Heaven. And there was
evening and there was morning, a second day.
- 9 And God said, Let the waters under the
heaven be gathered together unto one place,
and let the dry land appear : and it was so.
- 10 And God called the dry land Earth ; and the
gathering together of the waters called he Seas :
- 11 and God saw that it was good. And God said,
Let the earth put forth grass, herb yielding
seed, *and* fruit tree bearing fruit after its kind,

wherein is the seed thereof, upon the earth: and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, ¹² herb yielding seed after its kind, and tree bearing fruit, wherein is the seed thereof, after its kind: and God saw that it was good. And ¹³ there was evening and there was morning, a third day.

And God said, Let there be lights in the ¹⁴ firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days and years: and let them ¹⁵ be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made the two great lights; the ¹⁶ greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the ¹⁷ heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule ¹⁸ over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there ¹⁹ was morning, a fourth day.

¹ Heb. *swarm with swarms of living creatures.*

² Heb. *on the face of the expanse of the heaven.*

And God said, Let the waters ¹bring forth, ²⁰ abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and let fowl fly above the earth ²in the open firmament of heaven. And God created the ²¹ great sea-monsters, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kinds, and every winged fowl after its kind: and God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, Be ²² fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. And there was evening and there was morning, ²³ a fifth day.

And God said, Let the earth bring forth the ²⁴ living creature after its kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after its kind:

25 and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after its kind, and the cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the ground after its kind: and God saw

26 that it was good. And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

27 And God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female

28 created he them. And God blessed them: and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living

29 thing that ¹moveth upon the earth. And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb yielding seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for

30 meat: and to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is ²life, *I have given* every green herb for meat:

31 and it was so. And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

2 ¹ And the heaven and the earth were finished,

² and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day, from all his

3 work which he had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it: because that in it he rested from all his work which God had created and made.

¹ Or, *creepeth*

² Heb. *a living soul.*

¹ Heb.
Jehovah, as in
other places
where LORD
is put in
capitals.

These are the generations of the heaven 4
and of the earth when they were created, in the
day that ¹the LORD God made earth and heaven.
And no plant of the field was yet in the 5
earth, and no herb of the field had yet sprung
up: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain
upon the earth, and there was not a man to till
the ground; but there went up a mist from 6
the earth, and watered the whole face of the
ground. And the LORD God formed man of 7
the dust of the ground, and breathed into his
nostrils the breath of life; and man became a
living soul. And the LORD God¹ planted a 8
garden eastward, in Eden; and there he put
the man whom he had formed. And out of the 9
ground made the LORD God to grow every tree
that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food;
the tree of life also in the midst of the garden,
and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
And a river went out of Eden to water the 10
garden; and from thence it was parted, and
became four heads. The name of the first is 11
Pishon: that is it which compasseth the whole
land of Havilah, where there is gold; and the 12
gold of that land is good: there is bdellium
and the ²onyx stone. And the name of the 13
second river is Gihon: the same is it that com-
passeth the whole land of Cush. And the name 14
of the third river is ³Hiddekel: that is it which
goeth ⁴in front of Assyria. And the fourth
river is Euphrates. And the LORD God took 15
the man, and put him into the garden of Eden
to dress it and to keep it. And the LORD God 16
commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of
the garden thou mayest freely eat: but of the 17
tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou
shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou
eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

² Or, *beryl*

³ That is,
Tigris.

⁴ Or, *toward
the east of*

- 18 And the LORD God said, It is not good that
 the man should be alone ; I will make him an
 19 help ¹meet for him. And out of the ground ¹ Or,
 the LORD God formed every beast of the field, *answering to*
 and every fowl of the air ; and brought them
 unto the man to see what he would call them :
 and whatsoever the man called every living
 20 creature, that was the name thereof. And the
 man gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl
 of the air, and to every beast of the field ; but
 for ²man there was not found an help meet ² Or, *Adam*
 21 for him. And the LORD God caused a deep
 sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept ; and
 he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh
 22 instead thereof : and the rib, which the LORD
 God had taken from the man, ³made he a ³ Heb.
 23 woman, and brought her unto the man. And *builded he into.*
 the man said, This is now bone of my bones,
 and flesh of my flesh : she shall be called
⁴Woman, because she was taken out of ⁵Man. ⁴ Heb. *Isshah.*
 24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his ⁵ Heb. *Ish.*
 mother, and shall cleave unto his wife : and
 25 they shall be one flesh. And they were both
 naked, the man and his wife, and were not
 ashamed.
- 3 1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any
 beast of the field which the LORD God had
 made. And he said unto the woman, Yea,
 hath God said, Ye shall not eat of ⁶any tree of ⁶ Or, *all the*
 2 the garden ? And the woman said unto the *trees*
 serpent, Of the fruit of the trees of the garden
 3 we may eat : but of the fruit of the tree which
 is in the midst of the garden, God hath said,
 Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it,
 4 lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the
 5 woman, Ye shall not surely die : for God doth
 know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your
 eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as ⁷God, ⁷ Or, *gods*

knowing good and evil. And when the woman 6
saw that the tree was good for food, and that it
was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was
¹to be desired to make one wise, she took of
the fruit thereof, and did eat; and she gave also
unto her husband with her, and he did eat.
And the eyes of them both were opened, and 7
they knew that they were naked; and they
sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves
²aprons. And they heard the ³voice of the 8
LORD God walking in the garden in the ⁴cool
of the day: and the man and his wife hid them-
selves from the presence of the LORD God a-
mongst the trees of the garden. And the LORD 9
God called unto the man, and said unto him,
Where art thou? And he said, I heard thy 10
³voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I
was naked; and I hid myself. And he said, 11
Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast
thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded
thee that thou shouldest not eat? And the man 12
said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with
me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.
And the LORD God said unto the woman, What 13
is this thou hast done? And the woman said,
The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat. And 14
the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because
thou hast done this, cursed art thou ⁵above all
cattle, and ⁵above every beast of the field;
upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt
thou eat all the days of thy life: and I will put 15
enmity between thee and the woman, and be-
tween thy seed and her seed: it shall ⁶bruise
thy head, and thou shalt ⁶bruise his heel. Unto 16
the woman he said, I will greatly multiply
thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou
shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall
be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

¹ Or, *desirable*
to look upon

² Or, *girdles*

³ Or, *sound*

⁴ Heb. *wind*.

⁵ Or, *from*
among

⁶ Or, *lie in*
wait for

- 17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast
 hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast
 eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee,
 saying, Thou shalt not eat of it : cursed is the
 ground for thy sake ; in ¹toil shalt thou eat of it ¹ Or, *sorrow*
 18 all the days of thy life ; thorns also and thistles
 shall it bring forth to thee ; and thou shalt eat
 19 the herb of the field ; in the sweat of thy face
 shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the
 ground ; for out of it wast thou taken : for dust
 20 thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return. And
 the man called his wife's name ²Eve ; because ² Heb.
 21 she was the mother of all living. And the *Havvah,*
 LORD God made for Adam and for his wife *that is,*
 coats of skins, and clothed them. *Living,*
 or, *Life.*
 22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is
 become as one of us, to know good and evil ;
 and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take
 also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for
 23 ever : therefore the LORD God sent him forth
 from the garden of Eden, to till the ground
 24 from whence he was taken. So he drove out
 the man ; and he placed at the east of the
 garden of Eden the Cherubim, and the flame of
 a sword which turned every way, to keep the
 way of the tree of life.
 4 1 And the man knew Eve his wife ; and she con-
 ceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have ³gotten ³ Heb. *kanah,*
 2 a man with *the help of* the LORD. And again she *to get.*
 bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper
 of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.
 3 And in process of time it came to pass, that
 Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an
 4 offering unto the LORD. And Abel, he also
 brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the
 fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto
 5 Abel and to his offering : but unto Cain and
 to his offering he had not respect. And Cain

¹ Or, *shall it not be lifted up?*

² Or, *is its desire, but thou shouldst rule over it*

³ Heb. *said unto. Many ancient authorities have, said unto Abel his brother, Let us go into the field.*

⁴ Or, *Mine iniquity*

⁵ Or, *than can be forgiven*

⁶ That is, *Wandering.*

⁷ Or, *in front of*

was very wroth, and his countenance fell. And ⁶ the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? If thou ⁷ doest well, ¹ shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin coucheth at the door: and unto thee ² shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. And Cain ³ told Abel his brother. And it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him. And the LORD said ⁹ unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: am I my brother's keeper? And he said, What hast thou done? the voice ¹⁰ of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. And now cursed art thou from the ¹¹ ground, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; when ¹² thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a wanderer shalt thou be in the earth. And Cain ¹³ said unto the LORD, ⁴ My punishment is greater ⁵ than I can bear. Behold, thou hast driven me ¹⁴ out this day from the face of the ground; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that whosoever findeth me shall slay me. And the LORD said unto him, ¹⁵ Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD appointed a sign for Cain, lest any finding him should smite him.

And Cain went out from the presence of the ¹⁶ LORD, and dwelt in the land of ⁶ Nod, ⁷ on the east of Eden. And Cain knew his wife; and ¹⁷ she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch. And unto Enoch ¹⁸ was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and

Mehujael begat Methushael: and Methushael
 19 begat Lamech. And Lamech took unto him
 two wives: the name of the one was Adah,
 20 and the name of the other Zillah. And Adah
 bare Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell
 21 in tents and *have* cattle. And his brother's
 name was Jubal: he was the father of all such
 22 as handle the harp and pipe. And Zillah, she
 also bare Tubal-cain,¹ the forger of every cutting
 instrument of ²brass and iron: and the sister of
 23 Tubal-cain was Naamah. And Lamech said
 unto his wives:

¹ Or, an in-
 structor of
 every artificer

² Or, copper
 and so else-
 where.

Adah and Zillah, hear my voice;

Ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my
 speech:

For ³I have slain a man ⁴for wounding me,
 And a young man for bruising me:

³ Or, I will
 slay

24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold,

⁴ Or, to my
 wounding, and
 a young man
 to my hurt

Truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.

25 And Adam knew his wife again; and she
 bare a son, and called his name ⁵Seth: For,
 said she, God ⁶hath appointed me another seed

⁵ Heb. *Sheth*.

⁶ Heb. *shath*.

26 instead of Abel; for Cain slew him. And to
 Seth, to him also there was born a son; and
 he called his name Enosh: then began men to
 call upon the name of the LORD.

5 1 This is the book of the generations of Adam.

In the day that God created man, in the like-
 2 ness of God made he him; male and female
 created he them; and blessed them, and called
 their name ⁷Adam, in the day when they were

⁷ Or, *Man*

3 created. And Adam lived an hundred and
 thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own like-
 ness, after his image; and called his name Seth:

4 and the days of Adam after he begat Seth were
 eight hundred years: and he begat sons and

5 daughters. And all the days that Adam lived
 were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

And Seth lived an hundred and five years, 6
and begat Enosh: and Seth lived after he 7
begat Enosh eight hundred and seven years,
and begat sons and daughters: and all the 8
days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve
years: and he died.

And Enosh lived ninety years, and begat 9
Kenan: and Enosh lived after he begat Kenan 10
eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons
and daughters: and all the days of Enosh were 11
nine hundred and five years: and he died.

And Kenan lived seventy years, and begat 12
Mahalalel: and Kenan lived after he begat 13
Mahalalel eight hundred and forty years, and
begat sons and daughters: and all the days of 14
Kenan were nine hundred and ten years: and
he died.

And Mahalalel lived sixty and five years, 15
and begat Jared: and Mahalalel lived after he 16
begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years,
and begat sons and daughters: and all the days 17
of Mahalalel were eight hundred ninety and
five years: and he died.

And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two 18
years, and begat Enoch: and Jared lived after 19
he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat
sons and daughters: and all the days of Jared 20
were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he
died.

And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and 21
begat Methuselah: and Enoch walked with 22
God after he begat Methuselah three hundred
years, and begat sons and daughters: and all 23
the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty
and five years: and Enoch walked with God: 24
and he was not; for God took him.

And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty 25
and seven years, and begat Lamech: and 26

Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and begat sons
 27 and daughters: and all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

28 And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and
 29 two years, and begat a son: and he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall ¹comfort us for our work and for the toil of our hands,
²because of the ground which the LORD hath
 30 cursed. And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and
 31 begat sons and daughters: and all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.

32 And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

6 ¹ And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the ground, and daughters
 2 were born unto them, that the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all that they chose.
 3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not ³strive with man for ever, ⁴for that he also is flesh: ⁵yet shall his days be an hundred and twenty years.
 4 The ⁶Nephilim were in the earth in those days, and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them: the same were the mighty men which were of old, the men of renown.
 5 And the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only
 6 evil continually. And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it
 7 grieved him at his heart. And the LORD said, I will ⁷destroy man whom I have created from the face of the ground; both man, and beast,

¹ Heb. *nahem*, to comfort.

² Or, which cometh from the ground

³ Or, *rule in*
 Or, according to many ancient versions, *abide in*

⁴ Or, *in their going astray they are flesh*

⁵ Or, *therefore*

⁶ Or, *giants*
 See Num. xiii. 33.

⁷ Heb. *blot out*.

and creeping thing, and fowl of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. But 8 Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

These are the generations of Noah. Noah 9 ¹ Or, *blameless* was a righteous man, *and* ¹ perfect in his generations: Noah walked with God. And 10 Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. And the earth was corrupt before 11 God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God saw the earth, and, behold, it was 12 corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

And God said unto Noah, The end of all 13 flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth. Make thee an 14 ² Heb. *nests*. ark of gopher wood; ² rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. And this is how thou shalt make 15 it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. A ³ Or, *roof* ³ light shalt thou make to the 16 ⁴ Or, *from above* ark, and to a cubit shalt thou finish it ⁴ upward; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it. And I, behold, I 17 do bring the flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; every thing that is in the earth shall die. But I will establish my coven- 18 ant with thee; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. And of every living 19 thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female. Of the 20 fowl after their kind, and of the cattle after

their kind, of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive. And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them. Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

7 ¹ And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.
2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee seven and seven, the male and his female; and of the beasts that are not clean two, the male
3 and his female; of the fowl also of the air, seven and seven, male and female: to keep
4 seed alive upon the face of all the earth. For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living thing that I have made will I
5 ¹destroy from off the face of the ground. And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him.

¹ Heb. blot out.

6 And Noah was six hundred years old when
7 the flood of waters was upon the earth. And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark,
8 because of the waters of the flood. Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth
9 upon the ground, there went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, male and female, as
10 God commanded Noah. And it came to pass after the seven days, that the waters of the
11 flood were upon the earth. In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven

were opened. And the rain was upon the earth ¹²
 forty days and forty nights. In the selfsame ¹³
 day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and
 Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife,
 and the three wives of his sons with them, into
 the ark; they, and every beast after its kind, ¹⁴
 and all the cattle after their kind, and every
 creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth
 after its kind, and every fowl after its kind,
 every bird of every ¹sort. And they went in ¹⁵
 unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all
 flesh wherein is the breath of life. And they ¹⁶
 that went in, went in male and female of all
 flesh, as God commanded him: and the LORD
 shut him in. And the flood was forty days ¹⁷
 upon the earth; and the waters increased, and
 bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the
 earth. And the waters prevailed, and increased ¹⁸
 greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon
 the face of the waters. And the waters pre- ¹⁹
 vailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the
 high mountains that were under the whole
 heaven were covered. Fifteen cubits upward ²⁰
 did the waters prevail; and the mountains were
 covered. And all flesh died that moved upon ²¹
 the earth, both fowl, and cattle, and beast, and
 every ²creeping thing that creepeth upon the
 earth, and every man: all in whose nostrils was ²²
 the breath of the spirit of life, of all that was
 in the dry land, died. ³And every living thing ²³
 was ⁴destroyed which was upon the face of the
 ground, both man, and cattle, and creeping
 thing, and fowl of the heaven; and they were
⁴destroyed from the earth: and Noah only was
 left, and they that were with him in the ark.
 And the waters prevailed upon the earth an ²⁴
 hundred and fifty days.

And God remembered Noah, and every living ¹ **8**

¹ Heb. *wing*.

² Or,
*swarming
thing that
swarmeth*

³ Or, *And he
destroyed
every living
thing*

⁴ Heb. *blotted
out*.

thing, and all the cattle that were with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the
2 earth, and the waters assuaged; the fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was
3 restrained; and the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of an hundred and fifty days the waters decreased.
4 And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the
5 mountains of Ararat. And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth month, on the first day of the month,
6 were the tops of the mountains seen. And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had
7 made: and he sent forth a raven, and it went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up
8 from off the earth. And he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from
9 off the face of the ground; but the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him to the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: and he put forth his hand, and took her, and brought her in unto
10 him into the ark. And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove
11 out of the ark; and the dove came in to him at eventide; and, lo, in her mouth ¹an olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were
12 abated from off the earth. And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; and she returned not again unto him any more.
13 And it came to pass in the six hundred and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the

¹ Or, a fresh olive leaf

ground was dried. And in the second month, ¹⁴
on the seven and twentieth day of the month,
was the earth dry.

And God spake unto Noah, saying, Go forth ^{15, 16}
of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons,
and thy sons' wives with thee. Bring forth ¹⁷
with thee every living thing that is with thee of
all flesh, both fowl, and cattle, and every creep-
ing thing that creepeth upon the earth; that
they may breed abundantly in the earth, and
be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth. And ¹⁸
Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife,
and his sons' wives with him: every beast, ¹⁹
every creeping thing, and every fowl, whatso-
ever moveth upon the earth, after their families,
went forth out of the ark. And Noah builded ²⁰
an altar unto the LORD; and took of every
clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered
burnt offerings on the altar. And the LORD ²¹
smelled the sweet savour; and the LORD said
in his heart, I will not again curse the ground
any more for man's ¹sake, for that the imagina-
tion of man's heart is evil from his youth;
neither will I again smite any more every thing
living, as I have done. While the earth re- ²²
maineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and
heat, and summer and winter, and day and
night shall not cease. And God blessed Noah ^{1 9}
and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and
multiply, and replenish the earth. And the fear ²
of you and the dread of you shall be upon every
beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the
² Or, *creepeth* air; with all wherewith the ground ²teemeth,
and all the fishes of the sea, into your hand
are they delivered. Every moving thing that ³
liveth shall be food for you; as the green herb
have I given you all. But flesh with the life ⁴
thereof, *which is* the blood thereof, shall ye not

¹ Or, *sake*;
for the

5 eat. And surely your blood, *the blood* of your
lives, will I require; at the hand of every beast
will I require it: and at the hand of man, even
at the hand of every man's brother, will I re-
6 quire the life of man. Whoso sheddeth man's
blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in
7 the image of God made he man. And you,
be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abund-
antly in the earth, and multiply therein.

8 And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons
9 with him, saying, And I, behold, I establish
my covenant with you, and with your seed after
10 you; and with every living creature that is
with you, the fowl, the cattle, and every beast
of the earth with you; of all that go out of the
11 ark, even every beast of the earth. And I will
establish my covenant with you; neither shall
all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of
the flood; neither shall there any more be a
12 flood to destroy the earth. And God said,
This is the token of the covenant which I make
between me and you and every living creature
13 that is with you, for perpetual generations: ¹I
do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for
a token of a covenant between me and the
14 earth. And it shall come to pass, when I bring
a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be
15 seen in the cloud, and I will remember my
covenant, which is between me and you and
every living creature of all flesh; and the
waters shall no more become a flood to destroy
16 all flesh. And the bow shall be in the cloud;
and I will look upon it, that I may remember the
everlasting covenant between God and every
living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth.
17 And God said unto Noah, This is the token
of the covenant which I have established be-
tween me and all flesh that is upon the earth.

¹ Or, *I have
set*

And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and Ham is the father of Canaan. These three were the sons of Noah: and of these was the whole earth overspread.

And Noah began to be an husbandman, and planted a vineyard: and he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent. And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without. And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid it upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness. And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his ¹youngest son had done unto him. And he said,

¹ Or, *younger*

Cursed be Canaan;

A servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.

And he said,

Blessed be the LORD, the God of Shem;

² Or, *their*

And let Canaan be ²his servant.

God enlarge Japheth,

²⁷

³ Or, *he shall*

And ³let him dwell in the tents of Shem;

And let Canaan be ²his servant.

And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years. And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

Now these are the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem Ham and Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood.

The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and ⁴Riphath, and Togarmah. And the sons

⁴ In 1 Chr. i. 6, *Diphath*.

10

of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and
 5 ¹Dodanim. Of these were the ²isles of the na-
 tions divided in their lands, every one after his
 tongue; after their families, in their nations.

¹ In 1 Chr. i.
 7, *Rodanim.*

² Or,
coastlands

6 And the sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim,
 7 and Put, and Canaan. And the sons of Cush;
 Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah,
 and Sabteca: and the sons of Raamah; Sheba,
 8 and Dedan. And Cush begat Nimrod: he be-
 9 gan to be a mighty one in the earth. He was a
 mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is
 said, Like Nimrod a mighty hunter before the
 10 LORD. And the beginning of his kingdom was
 Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in
 11 the land of Shinar. Out of that land ³he went
 forth into Assyria, and builded Nineveh, and
 12 Rehoboth-Ir, and Calah, and Resen between
 Nineveh and Calah (the same is the great city).
 13 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and
 14 Lehabim, and Naphtuhim, and Pathrusim, and
 Casluhim (whence went forth ⁴the Philistines),
 and Caphtorim.

³ Or, *went
 forth Asshur*

⁴ Heb.
Pelishtim.

15 And Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and
 16 Heth; and the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and
 17 the Girgashite; and the Hivite, and the Arkite,
 18 and the Sinite; and the Arvadite, and the Ze-
 marite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were
 the families of the Canaanite spread abroad.
 19 And the border of the Canaanite was from
 Zidon, as thou goest toward Gerar, unto Gaza;
 as thou goest toward Sodom and Gomorrah
 20 and Admah and Zeboiim, unto Lasha. These
 are the sons of Ham, after their families, after
 their tongues, in their lands, in their nations.

21 And unto Shem, the father of all the children
 of Eber, ⁵the elder brother of Japheth, to him
 22 also were children born. The sons of Shem;
 Elam, and Asshur, and Arpachshad, and Lud,

⁵ Or, *the
 brother of
 Japheth the
 elder*

¹ The Sept.
reads, *begat*
Cainan, and
Cainan begat
Shelah.

² That is,
Division.

³ In I Chr. i.
22, *Ebal*.

⁴ Or, *hill*
country

and Aram. And the sons of Aram; Uz, and ²³
Hul, and Gether, and Mash. And Arpachshad ²⁴
¹begat Shelah; and Shelah begat Eber. And ²⁵
unto Eber were born two sons: the name of
the one was ²Peleg; for in his days was the
earth divided; and his brother's name was
Joktan. And Joktan begat Almodad, and She- ²⁶
leph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah; and Ha- ²⁷
doram, and Uzal, and Diklah; and ³Obal, and ²⁸
Abimael, and Sheba; and Ophir, and Havilah, ²⁹
and Jobab: all these were the sons of Joktan.
And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou ³⁰
goest toward Sephar, the ⁴mountain of the east.
These are the sons of Shem, after their families, ³¹
after their tongues, in their lands, after their
nations.

These are the families of the sons of Noah, ³²
after their generations, in their nations: and of
these were the nations divided in the earth after
the flood.

⁵ Heb. *lip*.

⁶ Heb. *words*.

⁷ Or, *in the*
east

⁸ That is,
bitumen.

And the whole earth was of one ⁵language ¹ **11**
and of one ⁶speech. And it came to pass, as ²
they journeyed ⁷east, that they found a plain in
the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there. And ³
they said one to another, Go to, let us make
brick, and burn them throughly. And they had
brick for stone, and ⁸slime had they for mortar.
And they said, Go to, let us build us a city, ⁴
and a tower, whose top *may reach* unto heaven,
and let us make us a name; lest we be scat-
tered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.
And the LORD came down to see the city and ⁵
the tower, which the children of men builded.
And the LORD said, Behold, they are one ⁶
people, and they have all one language; and
this is what they begin to do: and now nothing
will be withholden from them, which they pur-
pose to do. Go to, let us go down, and there ⁷

confound their language, that they may not
8 understand one another's speech. So the LORD
scattered them abroad from thence upon the
face of all the earth : and they left off to build
9 the city. Therefore was the name of it called
Babel ; because the LORD did there ¹confound
the language of all the earth : and from thence
did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the
face of all the earth.

¹ Heb.
balal, to
confound.

10 These are the generations of Shem. Shem
was an hundred years old, and begat Arpach-
11 shad two years after the flood : and Shem lived
after he begat Arpachshad five hundred years,
and begat sons and daughters.

12 And Arpachshad lived five and thirty years,
13 and begat Shelah : and Arpachshad lived after
he begat Shelah four hundred and three years,
and begat sons and daughters.

14 And Shelah lived thirty years, and begat
15 Eber : and Shelah lived after he begat Eber
four hundred and three years, and begat sons
and daughters.

16 And Eber lived four and thirty years, and
17 begat Peleg : and Eber lived after he begat
Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat
sons and daughters.

18 And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat
19 Reu : and Peleg lived after he begat Reu
two hundred and nine years, and begat sons
and daughters.

20 And Reu lived two and thirty years, and
21 begat Serug : and Reu lived after he begat
Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat
sons and daughters.

22 And Serug lived thirty years, and begat
23 Nahor : and Serug lived after he begat Nahor
two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and ²⁴
begat Terah : and Nahor lived after he begat ²⁵
Terah an hundred and nineteen years, and
begat sons and daughters.

And Terah lived seventy years, and begat ²⁶
Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

Now these are the generations of Terah. ²⁷
Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran ; and
Haran begat Lot. And Haran died in the ²⁸
presence of his father Terah in the land of his
nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees. And Abram ²⁹
and Nahor took them wives : the name of
Abram's wife was Sarai ; and the name of
Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran,
the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah.
And Sarai was barren ; she had no child. And ^{30, 31}
Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of
Haran, his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in
law, his son Abram's wife ; and they went forth
with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into
the land of Canaan ; and they came unto Haran,
and dwelt there. And the days of Terah were ³²
two hundred and five years : and Terah died
in Haran.

Now the LORD said unto Abram, Get thee ¹ **12**
out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and
from thy father's house, unto the land that I
will shew thee : and I will make of thee a great ²
nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy
name great ; and be thou a blessing : and I ³
will bless them that bless thee, and him that
curseth thee will I curse : and in thee shall all
the families of the earth be blessed. So Abram ⁴
went, as the LORD had spoken unto him ; and
Lot went with him : and Abram was seventy
and five years old when he departed out of
Haran. And Abram took Sarai his wife, and ⁵

- Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into
6 the land of Canaan they came. And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Shechem, unto the ¹oak of Moreh. And the ¹Or, *terebinth*.
7 Canaanite was then in the land. And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.
8 And he removed from thence unto the mountain on the east of Beth-el, and pitched his tent, having Beth-el on the west, and Ai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and
9 called upon the name of the LORD. And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the ²South.
10 And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was sore in the land.
11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a fair
12 woman to look upon: and it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me,
13 but they will save thee alive. Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake, and that my soul may live because
14 of thee. And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the
15 woman that she was very fair. And the princes of Pharaoh saw her, and praised her to Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.
16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he-asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she-asses,
17 and camels. And the LORD plagued Pharaoh

² Heb. *Negeb*,
the southern
tract of Judah.

and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife. And Pharaoh called 18 Abram, and said, What is this that thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife? Why saidst thou, She is my 19 sister? so that I took her to be my wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way. And Pharaoh gave men charge con- 20 cerning him: and they brought him on the way, and his wife, and all that he had.

And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and 1 **13** his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the South. And Abram was very rich in 2 cattle, in silver, and in gold. And he went on 3 his journeys from the South even to Beth-el, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Beth-el and Ai; unto the 4 place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of the LORD. And Lot also, which went with 5 Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents. And 6 the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together. And there was a strife between the herdmen of 7 Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land. And Abram said unto Lot, Let 8 there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we are brethren. Is not the whole land 9 before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if *thou wilt take* the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if *thou take* the right hand, then I will go to the left. And Lot lifted up 10 his eyes, and beheld all the ¹Plain of Jordan, that it was well watered every where, before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, like

¹ Or, *Circle*

the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt,
 11 as thou goest unto Zoar. So Lot chose him
 all the Plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed
 east: and they separated themselves the one
 12 from the other. Abram dwelled in the land
 of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of
 the Plain, and moved his tent as far as Sodom.
 13 Now the men of Sodom were wicked and
 14 sinners against the LORD exceedingly. And
 the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was
 separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and
 look from the place where thou art, northward
 15 and southward and eastward and westward: for
 all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give
 16 it, and to thy seed for ever. And I will make
 thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if
 a man can number the dust of the earth, then
 17 shall thy seed also be numbered. Arise, walk
 through the land in the length of it and in
 the breadth of it; for unto thee will I give
 18 it. And Abram moved his tent, and came and
 dwelt by the ¹oaks of Mamre, which are in
 Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.

¹ Or,
terebinths

14 1 And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel
 king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedor-
 laomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of ²Goiim,
 2 that they made war with Bera king of Sodom,
 and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab
 king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim,
 3 and the king of Bela (the same is Zoar). All
 these ³joined together in the vale of Siddim
 4 (the same is the Salt Sea). Twelve years they
 served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year
 5 they rebelled. And in the fourteenth year
 came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that were
 with him, and smote the Rephaim in Ashteroth-
 karnaim, and the Zuzim in Ham, and the
 6 Emim in ⁴Shaveh-kiriathaim, and the Horites

² Or, *nations*

³ Or, *joined
 themselves
 together
 against*

⁴ Or, *the
 plain of
 Kiriathaim*

in their mount Seir, unto El-paran, which is by the wilderness. And they returned, and came 7 to En-mishpat (the same is Kadesh), and smote all the ¹country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt in Hazazon-tamar. And 8 there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same is Zoar); and they set the battle in array against them in the vale of Siddim; against Chedor- 9 laomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of Goiim, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings against the five. Now 10 the vale of Siddim was full of ²slime pits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and they fell there, and they that remained fled to the mountain. And they took all the goods of 11 Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way. And they took Lot, 12 Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed. And there came 13 one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew: now he dwelt by the ³oaks of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner; and these were confederate with Abram. And when Abram heard that his brother was 14 taken captive, he led forth his trained men, born in his house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued as far as Dan. And he divided 15 himself against them by night, he and his servants, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the ⁴left hand of Damascus. And he brought back all the 16 goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people. And the king of Sodom went out to 17 meet him, after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer and the kings that were

¹ Heb. *field*.

² That is, *bitumen pits*.

³ Or, *terebinths*

⁴ Or, *north*

- with him, at the vale of Shaveh (the same is
 18 the King's Vale). And Melchizedek king of
 Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he
 19 was priest of ¹God Most High. And he blessed
 him, and said, Blessed be Abram of ¹God Most
 20 High, ²possessor of heaven and earth: and
 blessed be ¹God Most High, which hath de-
 livered thine enemies into thy hand. And he
 21 gave him a tenth of all. And the king of
 Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons,
 22 and take the goods to thyself. And Abram
 said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine
 hand unto the LORD, ¹God Most High, ²possessor
 23 of heaven and earth, that I will not take a
 thread nor a shoelatchet nor aught that is thine,
 lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram
 24 rich: ³save only that which the young men
 have eaten, and the portion of the men which
 went with me; Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre, let
 them take their portion.
- 15 1 After these things the word of the LORD
 came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not,
 Abram: I am thy shield, ⁴and thy exceeding
 2 great reward. And Abram said, O Lord ⁵GOD,
 what wilt thou give me, seeing I ⁶go childless,
 and he that shall be possessor of my house
 3 is ⁷Dammeseck Eliezer? And Abram said,
 Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and,
 4 lo, one born in my house is mine heir. And,
 behold, the word of the LORD came unto him,
 saying, This man shall not be thine heir; but he
 that shall come forth out of thine own bowels
 5 shall be thine heir. And he brought him forth
 abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and
 tell the stars, if thou be able to tell them: and
 6 he said unto him, So shall thy seed be. And
 he believed in the LORD; and he counted it
 7 to him for righteousness. And he said unto

¹ Heb.
El Elyon.

² Or, *maker*

³ Or, let there
 be *nothing for*
me; only that
&c.

⁴ Or, *thy*
reward shall be
exceeding
great

⁵ Heb. *Jeho-*
vah, as in other
 places where
 GOD is put in
 capitals.

⁶ Or, *go hence*
⁷ The Chaldee
 and Syriac
 have, *Eliezer*
the
Damascene.

him, I am the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it. And he said, O Lord GOD, 8 whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it? And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of 9 three years old, and a she-goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon. And he took him 10 all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each half over against the other: but the birds divided he not. And the birds of prey 11 came down upon the carcasses, and Abram drove them away. And when the sun was 12 going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him. And he said unto Abram, Know of a 13 surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; and also that nation, whom they shall serve, 14 will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance. But thou shalt go to 15 thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age. And in the fourth generation 16 they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorite is not yet full. And it came to 17 pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a flaming torch that passed between these pieces. In 18 that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates: the Kenite, 19 and the Kenizzite, and the Kadmonite, and the 20 Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Rephaim, and the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the 21 Girgashite, and the Jebusite.

Now Sarai Abram's wife bare him no child- 1 **16**

ren: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian,
2 whose name was Hagar. And Sarai said unto
Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained
me from bearing; go in, I pray thee, unto my
handmaid; it may be that I shall ¹obtain child-
ren by her. And Abram hearkened to the
3 voice of Sarai. And Sarai Abram's wife took
Hagar the Egyptian, her handmaid, after
Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Ca-
naan, and gave her to Abram her husband to
4 be his wife. And he went in unto Hagar, and
she conceived: and when she saw that she
had conceived, her mistress was despised in her
5 eyes. And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong
be upon thee: I gave my handmaid into thy
bosom; and when she saw that she had con-
ceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD
6 judge between me and thee. But Abram said
unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid is in thy hand; do
to her that which is good in thine eyes. And
Sarai dealt hardly with her, and she fled from
7 her face. And the angel of the LORD found
her by a fountain of water in the wilderness,
8 by the fountain in the way to Shur. And he
said, Hagar, Sarai's handmaid, whence comest
thou? and whither goest thou? And she said,
9 I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai. And
the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return
to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her
10 hands. And the angel of the LORD said unto
her, I will greatly multiply thy seed, that it
11 shall not be numbered for multitude. And the
angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou
art with child, and shalt bear a son; and thou
shalt call his name ²Ishmael, because the LORD
12 hath heard thy affliction. And he shall be *as* a
wild-ass among men; his hand *shall be* against
every man, and every man's hand against him;

¹ Heb. *be*
buildd by her.

² That is,
God heareth.

¹ Or, *over against*
Or, *to the east of*

² Or, *Thou God seest me*

³ Heb. *El roi*,
that is, *God of seeing*.

⁴ That is,
The well of the living one who seeth me.

and he shall dwell ¹in the presence of all his brethren. And she called the name of the ¹³
LORD that spake unto her, ²Thou art ³a God
that seeth: for she said, Have I even here
looked after him that seeth me? Wherefore ¹⁴
the well was called ⁴Beer-lahai-roi; behold, it is
between Kadesh and Bered. And Hagar bare ¹⁵
Abram a son: and Abram called the name
of his son, which Hagar bare, Ishmael. And ¹⁶
Abram was fourscore and six years old, when
Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

And when Abram was ninety years old and ¹ **17**
nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said
unto him, I am ⁵God Almighty; walk before
me, and be thou perfect. And I will make my ²
covenant between me and thee, and will multiply
thee exceedingly. And Abram fell on his face: ³
and God talked with him, saying, As for me, ⁴
behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou
shalt be the father of a multitude of nations.
Neither shall thy name any more be called ⁵
Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for
the father of a multitude of nations have I made
thee. And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, ⁶
and I will make nations of thee, and kings
shall come out of thee. And I will establish ⁷
my covenant between me and thee and thy
seed after thee throughout their generations for
an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee
and to thy seed after thee. And I will give unto ⁸
thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land of thy
sojournings, all the land of Canaan, for an ever-
lasting possession; and I will be their God.
And God said unto Abraham, And as for thee, ⁹
thou shalt keep my covenant, thou, and thy
seed after thee throughout their generations.
This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, be- ¹⁰
tween me and you and thy seed after thee;

⁵ Heb.
El Shaddai.

- every male among you shall be circumcised.
- 11 And ye shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of a covenant
- 12 betwixt me and you. And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every male throughout your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any
- 13 stranger, which is not of thy seed. He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an ever-
- 14 lasting covenant. And the uncircumcised male who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.
- 15 And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai,
- 16 but ¹Sarah shall her name be. And I will bless her, and moreover I will give thee a son of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be *a mother of nations*; kings of peoples shall be
- 17 of her. Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a child be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?
- 18 And Abraham said unto God, Oh that Ishmael
- 19 might live before thee! And God said, Nay, but Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son; and thou shalt call his name ²Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting
- 20 covenant for his seed after him. And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great
- 21 nation. But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this
- 22 set time in the next year. And he left off

¹ That is, Princess.

² From the Heb. word meaning to laugh.

talking with him, and God went up from Abraham. And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house, and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him. And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. And Ishmael his son was thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son. And all the men of his house, those born in the house, and those bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

And the LORD appeared unto him by the ¹oaks of Mamre, as he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; and he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood over against him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself to the earth, and said, ²My lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: let now a little water be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree: and I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your heart; after that ye shall pass on: ³forasmuch as ye are come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said. And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes. And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetched a calf tender and good, and gave it unto the servant; and he hasted to dress it. And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set it before them;

¹ Or, *terebinths*

² Or, *O Lord*

³ Or, *for therefore*

- and he stood by them under the tree, and they
9 did eat. And they said unto him, Where is
Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the
10 tent. And he said, I will certainly return unto
thee when the season ¹cometh round; and, lo, ¹ Heb. *liveth*,
Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah or, *reviveth*.
heard in the tent door, which was behind him.
11 Now Abraham and Sarah were old, *and* well
stricken in age; it had ceased to be with
12 Sarah after the manner of women. And Sarah
laughed within herself, saying, After I am
waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being
13 old also? And the LORD said unto Abraham,
Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of
14 a surety bear a child, which am old? Is any
thing too ²hard for the LORD? At the set ² Or,
time I will return unto thee, when the season *wonderful*
¹cometh round, and Sarah shall have a son.
15 Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for
she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou
didst laugh.
16 And the men rose up from thence, and
looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went
17 with them to bring them on the way. And the
LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that
18 which I do; seeing that Abraham shall surely
become a great and mighty nation, and all the
nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?
19 For I have ³known him, to the end that he ³ See Amos
may command his children and his household iii. 2.
after him, that they may keep the way of the
LORD, to do justice and judgement; to the end
that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that
20 which he hath spoken of him. And the LORD
said, ⁴Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah ⁴ Or, *Verily*
is great, and ⁴because their sin is very grievous;
21 I will go down now, and see whether they have
done altogether according to the cry of it,

which is come unto me; and if not, I will know. And the men turned from thence, and 22 went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD. And Abraham drew near, 23 and said, Wilt thou consume the righteous with the wicked? Peradventure there be fifty 24 righteous within the city: wilt thou consume and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that are therein? That be far from 25 thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked, that so the righteous should be as the wicked; that be far from thee: shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty 26 righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sake. And Abraham 27 answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which am but dust and ashes: peradventure there shall lack 28 five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for lack of five? And he said, I will not destroy it, if I find there forty and five. And he spake unto him yet again, and said, 29 Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for the forty's sake. And he said, Oh let not the Lord be 30 angry, and I will speak: peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do it, if I find thirty there. And he 31 said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for the twenty's sake. And he said, 32 Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for the ten's sake. And the LORD went his 33 way, as soon as he had left communing with

Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

- 19 ¹ And the two angels came to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot saw them, and rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face to the earth; ² and he said, Behold now, my lords, turn aside, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your way. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night. ³ And he urged them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened ⁴ bread, and they did eat. But before they lay down, the men of the city, *even* the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both young and old, all the people from every ⁵ quarter; and they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that ⁶ we may know them. And Lot went out unto them to the door, and shut the door after ⁷ him. And he said, I pray you, my brethren, ⁸ do not so wickedly. Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; ¹forasmuch as they are ⁹ come under the shadow of my roof. And they said, Stand back. And they said, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and drew near to break the ¹⁰ door. But the men put forth their hand, and brought Lot into the house to them, and shut ¹¹ to the door. And they smote the men that

¹ Or, *for therefore*

were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door. And the men ¹² said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whomsoever thou hast in the city; bring them out of the place: for we will destroy this place, ¹³ because the cry of them is waxen great before the LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it. And Lot went out, and spake unto ¹⁴ his sons in law, which ¹married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy the city. But he seemed unto his sons in law as one that mocked. And ¹⁵ when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters which are here; lest thou be consumed in the ²iniquity of the city. But he ¹⁶ lingered; and the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city. And it came to ¹⁷ pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the ³Plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed. ¹⁸ And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, ⁴my lord: ¹⁹ behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest ²⁰ ⁵evil overtake me, and I die: behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live. And he said ²¹ unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow the

¹ Or, *were to marry*

² Or, *punishment*

³ See ch. xiii. 10.

⁴ Or, *O Lord*

⁵ Or, *the evil*

- 22 city of which thou hast spoken. Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of
23 the city was called ¹Zoar. The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot came unto Zoar.
24 Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD
25 out of heaven; and he overthrew those cities, and all the Plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.
26 But his wife looked back from behind him, and
27 she became a pillar of salt. And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he
28 had stood before the LORD: and he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the Plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the land went up as the smoke of a furnace.
- 29 And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the Plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.
- 30 And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.
- 31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of
32 all the earth: come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that
33 we may preserve seed of our father. And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he knew not when she lay down,
34 nor when she arose. And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto

¹ That is,
Little, ver. 20.
See ch. xiv. 8.

the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. And they made their father drink wine that 35 night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he knew not when she lay down, nor when she arose. Thus were both the daugh- 36 ters of Lot with child by their father. And the 37 firstborn bare a son, and called his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites unto this day. And the younger, she also bare a son, 38 and called his name Ben-ammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

And Abraham journeyed from thence toward 1 **20** the land of the South, and dwelt between Kadesh and Shur; and he sojourned in Gerar. And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is 2 my sister: and Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah. But God came to Abimelech 3 in a dream of the night, and said to him, Behold, thou art but a dead man, because of the woman which thou hast taken; for she is a man's wife. Now Abimelech had not come near her: and 4 he said, Lord, wilt thou slay even a righteous nation? Said he not himself unto me, She is 5 my sister? and she, even she herself said, He is my brother: in the integrity of my heart and the innocency of my hands have I done this. And God said unto him in the dream, Yea, I 6 know that in the integrity of thy heart thou hast done this, and I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her. Now therefore restore the man's 7 wife; for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore her not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that are thine. And Abimelech 8

- rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their
9 ears: and the men were sore afraid. Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and wherein have I sinned against thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to
10 be done. And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this
11 thing? And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God is not in this place; and
12 they will slay me for my wife's sake. And moreover she is indeed my sister, the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and
13 she became my wife: and it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This is thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me, He is
14 my brother. And Abimelech took sheep and oxen, and menservants and womenservants, and gave them unto Abraham, and restored
15 him Sarah his wife. And Abimelech said, Behold, my land is before thee: dwell where it
16 pleaseth thee. And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given thy brother a thousand pieces of silver: behold, ¹it is for thee a covering of the
eyes to all that are with thee; and ²in respect
17 of all thou art righted. And Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare
18 children. For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.
- 21** 1 And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had spoken.
2 And Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a

¹ Or, *he*² Or, *before all men*

son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him. And Abraham called the ³ name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days ⁴ old, as God had commanded him. And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him. And Sarah said, ⁶ God hath ¹made me to laugh; every one that heareth will laugh with me. And she said, ⁷ Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should give children suck? for I have borne him a son in his old age.

¹ Or, *prepared laughter for me*

And the child grew, and was weaned: and ⁸ Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. And Sarah saw the son ⁹ of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had borne unto Abraham, ²mocking. Wherefore she said ¹⁰ unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac. And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's ¹¹ sight on account of his son. And God said ¹² unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah saith unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called. And also of the son of the ¹³ bondwoman will I make a nation, because he is thy seed. And Abraham rose up early ¹⁴ in the morning, and took bread and a ³bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. And the water in ¹⁵ the bottle was spent, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs. And she went, and ¹⁶ sat her down over against him a good way off,

² Or, *playing*

³ Or, *skin*

as it were a bowshot : for she said, Let me not look upon the death of the child. And she sat over against him, and lift up her voice, and
17 wept. And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice
18 of the lad where he is. Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make
19 him a great nation. And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad
20 drink. And God was with the lad, and he grew; and he dwelt in the wilderness, and
21 ¹became an archer. And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt.

¹ Or, *became, as he grew up, an archer*

22 And it came to pass at that time, that Abimelech and Phicol the captain of his host spake unto Abraham, saying, God is with thee
23 in all that thou doest: now therefore swear unto me here by God that thou wilt not deal falsely with me, nor with ²my son, nor with my
son's son: but according to the kindness that I have done unto thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned.
24, 25 And Abraham said, I will swear. And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of the well of water, which Abimelech's servants had violently
26 taken away. And Abimelech said, I know not who hath done this thing: neither didst thou tell me, neither yet heard I of it, but to-day.
27 And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech; and they two made
28 a covenant. And Abraham set seven ewe
29 lambs of the flock by themselves. And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What mean these seven ewe lambs which thou hast set by themselves?

² Or, *my offspring, nor with my posterity*

And he said, These seven ewe lambs shalt³⁰ thou take of my hand, that it may be a witness unto me, that I have digged this well. Where-³¹ fore he called that place Beer-sheba; because there they sware both of them. So they made³² a covenant at Beer-sheba: and Abimelech rose up, and Phicol the captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines. And³³ *Abraham* planted a tamarisk tree in Beer-sheba, and called there on the name of the LORD, the Everlasting God. And Abraham³⁴ sojourned in the land of the Philistines many days.

And it came to pass after these things, that¹ **22** God did prove Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham; and he said, Here am I. And he² said, Take now thy son, thine only son, whom thou lovest, even Isaac, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. And Abraham rose early in the³ morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son; and he clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham⁴ lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide⁵ ye here with the ass, and I and the lad will go yonder; and we will worship, and come again to you. And Abraham took the wood of the⁶ burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took in his hand the fire and the knife; and they went both of them together. And⁷ Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold, the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?

- 8 And Abraham said, God will ¹provide himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son : so they
 9 went both of them together. And they came to the place which God had told him of ; and Abraham built the altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him
 10 on the altar, upon the wood. And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to
 11 slay his son. And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham,
 12 Abraham : and he said, Here am I. And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him : for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son, from me.
 13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and ²behold, behind *him* a ram caught in the thicket by his horns : and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in
 14 the stead of his son. And Abraham called the name of that place ³Jehovah-jireh : as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD ⁴'it shall be provided. And the angel of the LORD
 15 called unto Abraham a second time out of heaven, and said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only
 16 son : that in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore ; and thy seed shall possess
 17 the gate of his enemies ; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth ⁵be blessed ; because
 18 thou hast obeyed my voice. So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beer-sheba ; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.
 20 And it came to pass after these things, that it

¹ Heb. *see for himself.*

² Or, according to many ancient authorities, *behold a* (Heb. *one*) *ram caught*

³ That is, *The LORD will see, or, provide.*

⁴ Or, *he shall be seen*

⁵ Or, *bless themselves*

was told Abraham, saying, Behold, Milcah, she also hath borne children unto thy brother Nahor; Uz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and ²¹ Kemuel the father of Aram; and Chesed, and ²² Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel. And Bethuel begat Rebekah: these eight did ²³ Milcah bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother. And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, ²⁴ she also bare Tebah, and Gaham, and Tahash, and Maacah.

And the life of Sarah was an hundred and ¹ **23** seven and twenty years: these were the years of the life of Sarah. And Sarah died in Kiriath- ² arba (the same is Hebron), in the land of Canaan: and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her. And Abraham rose up from ³ before his dead, and spake unto the children of Heth, saying, I am a stranger and a sojourner ⁴ with you: give me a possession of a burying-place with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight. And the children of Heth answered ⁵ Abraham, saying unto him, Hear us, my lord: ⁶ thou art ¹ a mighty prince among us: in the choice of our sepulchres bury thy dead; none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre, but that thou mayest bury thy dead. And Abraham ⁷ rose up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, even to the children of Heth. And he ⁸ communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight, hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar, that he may give me the cave of ⁹ Machpelah, which he hath, which is in the end of his field; for the full price let him give it to me in the midst of you for a possession of a buryingplace. Now Ephron was sitting in the ¹⁰ midst of the children of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of

¹ Heb. *a*
prince of God.

- the children of Heth, even of all that went in at
11 the gate of his city, saying, Nay, my lord, hear
me: the field give I thee, and the cave that
is therein, I give it thee; in the presence of
the sons of my people give I it thee: bury thy
12 dead. And Abraham bowed himself down
13 before the people of the land. And he spake
unto Ephron in the audience of the people
of the land, saying, But if thou wilt, I pray
thee, hear me: I will give the price of the field;
take it of me, and I will bury my dead there.
14 And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto
15 him, My lord, hearken unto me: a piece of land
worth four hundred shekels of silver, what is
that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy
16 dead. And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron;
and Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver,
which he had named in the audience of the
children of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver,
17 current *money* with the merchant. So the field
of Ephron, which was in Machpelah, which was
before Mamre, the field, and the cave which was
therein, and all the trees that were in the field,
that were in all the border thereof round about,
18 were made sure unto Abraham for a possession
in the presence of the children of Heth, before all
19 that went in at the gate of his city. And after
this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave
of the field of Machpelah before Mamre (the
20 same is Hebron), in the land of Canaan. And
the field, and the cave that is therein, were made
sure unto Abraham for a possession of a burying-
place by the children of Heth.
- 24 1 And Abraham was old, *and* well stricken in
age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all
2 things. And Abraham said unto his servant,
the elder of his house, that ruled over all that
he had, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my

thigh: and I will make thee swear by the ³ LORD, the God of heaven and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell: but thou shalt go unto my ⁴ country, and to my kindred, and take a wife for my son Isaac. And the servant said unto ⁵ him, Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou camest? And Abraham said unto him, ⁶ Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again. The LORD, the God of heaven, that ⁷ took me from my father's house, and from the land of my nativity, and that spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife for my son from thence. And if the woman be not ⁸ willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this my oath; only thou shalt not bring my son thither again. And the servant put ⁹ his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him concerning this matter. And the servant took ten camels, of the camels ¹⁰ of his master, and departed; ¹having all goodly things of his master's in his hand: and he arose, and went to ²Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor. And he made the camels to kneel ¹¹ down without the city by the well of water at the time of evening, the time that women go out to draw water. And he said, O LORD, ¹² the God of my master Abraham, send me, I pray thee, good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham. Behold, I ¹³ stand by the fountain of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water: and let it come to pass, that the damsel ¹⁴

¹ Or, for all the goods of his master were in his hand

² Heb. *Aram-naharaim*, that is, *Aram of the two rivers*.

to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be she that thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness
15 unto my master. And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel the son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother,
16 with her pitcher upon her shoulder. And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her: and she went down to the fountain, and filled her pitcher, and
17 came up. And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Give me to drink, I pray thee, a little
18 water of thy pitcher. And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.
19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw for thy camels also, until
20 they have done drinking. And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw, and drew for
21 all his camels. And the man looked stedfastly on her; holding his peace, to know whether the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.
22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden ring of
1 half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for
23 her hands of ten shekels weight of gold; and said, Whose daughter art thou? tell me, I pray thee. Is there room in thy father's house for
24 us to lodge in? And she said unto him, I am the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah,
25 which she bare unto Nahor. She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and pro-
26 vender enough, and room to lodge in. And

¹ Heb. *a beka*.
See Ex.
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the man bowed his head, and worshipped the LORD. And he said, Blessed be the LORD, the 27 God of my master Abraham, who hath not forsaken his mercy and his truth toward my master: as for me, the LORD hath led me in the way to the house of my master's brethren. And 28 the damsel ran, and told her mother's house according to these words. And Rebekah had 29 a brother, and his name was Laban: and Laban ran out unto the man, unto the fountain. And it came to pass, when he saw the ring, 30 and the bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus spake the man unto me; that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the fountain. And he said, 31 Come in, thou blessed of the LORD; wherefore standest thou without? for I have prepared the house, and room for the camels. And the 32 man came into the house, and he ungirded the camels; and he gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet and the men's feet that were with him. And there 33 was set meat before him to eat: but he said, I will not eat, until I have told mine errand. And he said, Speak on. And he said, I am 34 Abraham's servant. And the LORD hath blessed 35 my master greatly; and he is become great: and he hath given him flocks and herds, and silver and gold, and menservants and maid-servants, and camels and asses. And Sarah 36 my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath. And my master made me 37 swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife for my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell: but thou shalt go unto 38 my father's house, and to my kindred, and take

39 a wife for my son. And I said unto my
master, Peradventure the woman will not follow
40 me. And he said unto me, The LORD, be-
fore whom I walk, will send his angel with
thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take
a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my
41 father's house: then shalt thou be clear from
my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and
if they give her not to thee, thou shalt be clear
42 from my oath. And I came this day unto
the fountain, and said, O LORD, the God of my
master Abraham, if now thou do prosper my
43 way which I go: behold, I stand by the fountain
of water; and let it come to pass, that the
maiden which cometh forth to draw, to whom
I shall say, Give me, I pray thee, a little water
44 of thy pitcher to drink; and she shall say to
me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for
thy camels: let the same be the woman whom
the LORD hath appointed for my master's son.
45 And before I had done speaking in mine heart,
behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher
on her shoulder; and she went down unto the
fountain, and drew: and I said unto her, Let
46 me drink, I pray thee. And she made haste,
and let down her pitcher from her shoulder,
and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels
drink also: so I drank, and she made the
47 camels drink also. And I asked her, and said,
Whose daughter art thou? And she said, The
daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah
bare unto him: and I put the ring upon her
48 nose, and the bracelets upon her hands. And
I bowed my head, and worshipped the LORD,
and blessed the LORD, the God of my master
Abraham, which had led me in the right way
to take my master's brother's daughter for
49 his son. And now if ye will deal kindly and

truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left. Then Laban and Bethuel answered 50 and said, The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good. Be- 51 hold, Rebekah is before thee, take her, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken. And it came to pass, that, 52 when Abraham's servant heard their words, he bowed himself down to the earth unto the LORD. And the servant brought forth jewels of sil- 53 ver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave them to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things. And they 54 did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him, and tarried all night; and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master. And her brother and her 55 mother said, Let the damsel abide with us *a few* days, at the least ten; after that she shall go. And he said unto them, Hinder me not, see- 56 ing the LORD hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master. And they 57 said, We will call the damsel, and inquire at her mouth. And they called Rebekah, and 58 said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go. And they sent away 59 Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men. And they blessed 60 Rebekah, and said unto her, Our sister, be thou *the mother* of thousands of ten thousands, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them. And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, 61 and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. And Isaac came ¹from the way 62 of Beer-lahai-roi; for he dwelt in the land of the South. And Isaac went out to meditate in 63

¹ The Sept. has, *through the wilderness.*

the field at the eventide : and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, there were camels
64 coming. And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the
65 camel. And she said unto the servant, What man is this that walketh in the field to meet us? And the servant said, It is my master: and she
66 took her veil, and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had
67 done. And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

25 ¹ And Abraham took another wife, and her
² name was Keturah. And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and
³ Ishbak, and Shuah. And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were
⁴ Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim. And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Ephher, and Hanoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these
⁵ were the children of Keturah. And Abraham
⁶ gave all that he had unto Isaac. But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts; and he sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward,
⁷ unto the east country. And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived,
⁸ an hundred threescore and fifteen years. And Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full *of years*; and was
⁹ gathered to his people. And Isaac and Ishmael his sons buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar
¹⁰ the Hittite, which is before Mamre; the field which Abraham purchased of the children of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah
¹¹ his wife. And it came to pass after the death

of Abraham, that God blessed Isaac his son ;
and Isaac dwelt by Beer-lahai-roi.

Now these are the generations of Ishmael, ¹²
Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian,
Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham : and ¹³
these are the names of the sons of Ishmael, by
their names, according to their generations: the
firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth ; and Kedar, and
Adbeel, and Mibsam, and Mishma, and Du- ¹⁴
mah, and Massa ; Hadad, and Tema, Jetur, ¹⁵
Naphish, and Kedemah : these are the sons of ¹⁶
Ishmael, and these are their names, by their
villages, and by their encampments ; twelve
princes according to their nations. And these ¹⁷
are the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred
and thirty and seven years : and he gave up the
ghost and died ; and was gathered unto his people.
And they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur that ¹⁸
is before Egypt, as thou goest toward Assyria :
he ¹abode ²in the presence of all his brethren.

¹ Or, settled
Heb. fell.

² Or, over
against

³ Heb.
Aramean.

And these are the generations of Isaac, ¹⁹
Abraham's son : Abraham begat Isaac : and ²⁰
Isaac was forty years old when he took Re-
bekah, the daughter of Bethuel the ³Syrian of
Paddan-aram, the sister of Laban the ³Syrian,
to be his wife. And Isaac intreated the LORD ²¹
for his wife, because she was barren : and the
LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his
wife conceived. And the children struggled ²²
together within her ; and she said, If it be so,
⁴wherefore do I live ? And she went to inquire
of the LORD. And the LORD said unto her, ²³

⁴ Or, wherefore
am I thus ?

Two nations are in thy womb,
And two peoples shall be separated even
from thy bowels :
And the one people shall be stronger than
the other people ;
And the elder shall serve the younger.

24 And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb.

25 And the first came forth ¹red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name Esau. ¹ Or, *ruddy*

26 And after that came forth his brother, and his hand had hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called ²Jacob: and Isaac was threescore

27 years old when she bare them. And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man ²That is, *One that takes by the heel or supplants.*

of the field; and Jacob was a ³plain man, dwelling in tents. Now Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: and Re- ³ Or, *quiet*
Or, *harmless*
Heb. *perfect.*

29 bekah loved Jacob. And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came in from the field, and he was

30 faint: and Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with ⁴that same red *pottage*; for I am faint: therefore was his name called ⁵Edom. ⁴ Heb. *the red pottage, this red pottage.*

31 And Jacob said, Sell me ⁶this day thy birthright. ⁵ That is, *Red.*

32 And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit shall the birthright do to ⁶ Or, *first of all*

33 me? And Jacob said, Swear to me ⁶this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birth-

34 right unto Jacob. And Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: so Esau despised his birthright.

26 ¹ And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abra-

2 of the Philistines unto Gerar. And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down

into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall

3 tell thee of: sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee,

and unto thy seed, I will give all these lands, and I will establish the oath which I sware

4 unto Abraham thy father; and I will multiply thy seed as the stars of heaven, and will give

¹ Or, *bless themselves*

unto thy seed all these lands; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth ¹be blessed; because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws. And Isaac dwelt in Gerar: and the men of the place asked him of his wife; and he said, She is my sister: for he feared to say, My wife; lest, *said he*, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah: because she was fair to look upon. And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac was sporting with Rebekah his wife. And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she is thy wife: and how saidst thou, She is my sister? And Isaac said unto him, Because I said, Lest I die for her. And Abimelech said, What is this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us. And Abimelech charged all the people, saying, He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death. And Isaac sowed in that land, and found in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him. And the man waxed great, and grew more and more until he became very great: and he had possessions of flocks, and possessions of herds, and a great household: and the Philistines envied him. Now all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth. And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we. And Isaac departed thence, and encamped in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there. And Isaac digged

- again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.
- 19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and
 20 found there a well of ¹springing water. And the ¹ Heb. *living*.
 herdmen of Gerar strove with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water is ours: and he called the name of the well ²Esek; because they con- ² That is, *Contention*.
 21 tended with him. And they digged another well, and they strove for that also: and he
 22 called the name of it ³Sitnah. And he removed ³ That is, *Enmity*.
 from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it ⁴Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD ⁴ That is, *Broad places, or, Room*.
 hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful
 23 in the land. And he went up from thence to
 24 Beer-sheba. And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, I am the God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed
 25 for my servant Abraham's sake. And he builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the LORD, and pitched his tent there:
 26 and there Isaac's servants digged a well. Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuz-zath his friend, and Phicol the captain of his
 27 host. And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore are ye come unto me, seeing ye hate me, and
 28 have sent me away from you? And they said, We saw plainly that the LORD was with thee: and we said, Let there now be an oath betwixt us, even betwixt us and thee, and let us make a
 29 covenant with thee; that thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: thou art now the

blessed of the LORD. And he made them a ³⁰
 feast, and they did eat and drink. And they ³¹
 rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one
 to another: and Isaac sent them away, and they
 departed from him in peace. And it came to ³²
 pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came,
 and told him concerning the well which they
 had digged, and said unto him, We have found
 water. And he called it ¹Shibah: therefore the ³³
 name of the city is Beer-sheba unto this day.

¹ See ch. xxi.
³¹.

And when Esau was forty years old he took ³⁴
 to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite,
 and Basemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:
 and they were ²a grief of mind unto Isaac and ³⁵
 to Rebekah.

² Heb.
*bitterness of
 spirit.*

And it came to pass, that when Isaac was ¹ **27**
 old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not
 see, he called Esau his elder son, and said unto
 him, My son: and he said unto him, Here am
 I. And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know ²
 not the day of my death. Now therefore take, ³
 I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy
 bow, and go out to the field, and take me
 venison; and make me savoury meat, such as I ⁴
 love, and bring it to me, that I may eat; that
 my soul may bless thee before I die. And ⁵
 Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his
 son. And Esau went to the field to hunt for
 venison, and to bring it. And Rebekah spake ⁶
 unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy
 father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying,
 Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, ⁷
 that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD
 before my death. Now therefore, my son, obey ⁸
 my voice according to that which I command
 thee. Go now to the flock, and fetch me from ⁹
 thence two good kids of the goats; and I will
 make them savoury meat for thy father, such as

- 10 he loveth : and thou shalt bring it to thy father,
that he may eat, so that he may bless thee
11 before his death. And Jacob said to Rebekah
his mother, Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy
12 man, and I am a smooth man. My father
peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to
him as a ¹deceiver ; and I shall bring a curse ¹ Or, *mock*
13 upon me, and not a blessing. And his mother
said unto him, Upon me be thy curse, my son :
only obey my voice, and go fetch me them.
14 And he went, and fetched, and brought them
to his mother : and his mother made savoury
15 meat, such as his father loved. And Rebekah
took the goodly raiment of Esau her elder son,
which were with her in the house, and put
16 them upon Jacob her younger son : and she put
the skins of the kids of the goats upon his
17 hands, and upon the smooth of his neck : and
she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which
she had prepared, into the hand of her son
18 Jacob. And he came unto his father, and said,
My father : and he said, Here am I ; who art
19 thou, my son ? And Jacob said unto his father,
I am Esau thy firstborn ; I have done ac-
cording as thou badest me : arise, I pray thee,
sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may
20 bless me. And Isaac said unto his son, How is
it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son ?
And he said, Because the LORD thy God sent
21 me good speed. And Isaac said unto Jacob,
Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee,
my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or
22 not. And Jacob went near unto Isaac his
father ; and he felt him, and said, The voice is
Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of
23 Esau. And he discerned him not, because his
hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands :
24 so he blessed him. And he said, Art thou my

very son Esau? And he said, I am. And he 25
said, Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my
son's venison, that my soul may bless thee.
And he brought it near to him, and he did eat:
and he brought him wine, and he drank. And 26
his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now,
and kiss me, my son. And he came near, and 27
kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his
raiment, and blessed him, and said,

See, the smell of my son

Is as the smell of a field which the LORD hath
blessed:

And God give thee of the dew of heaven, 28

And of the fatness of the earth,

And plenty of corn and wine:

Let peoples serve thee, 29

And nations bow down to thee:

Be lord over thy brethren,

And let thy mother's sons bow down to
thee:

Cursed be every one that curseth thee,

And blessed be every one that blesseth
thee.

And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had 30
made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was
yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac
his father, that Esau his brother came in from
his hunting. And he also made savoury meat, 31
and brought it unto his father; and he said
unto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of
his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me.
And Isaac his father said unto him, Who art 32
thou? And he said, I am thy son, thy first-
born, Esau. And Isaac trembled very exceed- 33
ingly, and said, Who then is he that hath taken
venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of
all before thou camest, and have blessed him?
yea, *and* he shall be blessed. When Esau heard 34

- the words of his father, he cried with an exceeding great and bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, even me also, O my father.
- 35 And he said, Thy brother came with guile, and
36 hath taken away thy blessing. And he said, Is not he rightly named ¹Jacob? for he hath sup-
planted me these two times: he took away ¹ See ch. xxv.
my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken ^{26.}
away my blessing. And he said, Hast thou
37 not reserved a blessing for me? And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained him: and what then
38 shall I do for thee, my son? And Esau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, even me also, O my father.
- 39 And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept. And Isaac his father answered and said unto him,
Behold, ²of the fatness of the earth shall be ² Or, away
thy dwelling, ^{from}
And ²of the dew of heaven from above;
40 And by thy sword shalt thou live, and thou shalt serve thy brother;
And it shall come to pass when thou shalt break loose,
That thou shalt shake his yoke from off thy neck.
- 41 And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother
42 Jacob. And the words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah; and she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold, thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, *purposing* to kill thee.
- 43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and

arise, flee thou to Laban my brother to Haran ;
and tarry with him a few days, until thy 44
brother's fury turn away ; until thy brother's 45
anger turn away from thee, and he forget that
which thou hast done to him : then I will send,
and fetch thee from thence : why should I be
bereaved of you both in one day ?

And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of 46
my life because of the daughters of Heth : if
Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth,
such as these, of the daughters of the land, what
good shall my life do me ? And Isaac called 1 28
Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and
said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of
the daughters of Canaan. Arise, go to Paddan- 2
aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's
father ; and take thee a wife from thence of the
daughters of Laban thy mother's brother. And 3
God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruit-
ful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a
company of peoples ; and give thee the blessing 4
of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee ;
that thou mayest inherit the land of thy sojourn-
ings, which God gave unto Abraham. And 5
Isaac sent away Jacob : and he went to Paddan-
aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the ²Syrian,
the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's
mother. Now Esau saw that Isaac had blessed 6
Jacob and sent him away to Paddan-aram, to
take him a wife from thence ; and that as he
blessed him he gave him a charge, saying,
Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of
Canaan ; and that Jacob obeyed his father and 7
his mother, and was gone to Paddan-aram :
and Esau saw that the daughters of Canaan 8
pleased not Isaac his father ; and Esau went 9
unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which
he had Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael

¹ Heb.
El Shaddai.

² Heb.
Aramean.

Abraham's son, the sister of Nebaioth, to be his wife.

- 10 And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and
11 went toward Haran. And he lighted upon ¹a ¹ Heb.
certain place, and tarried there all night, be- *the place.*
cause the sun was set; and he took one of the
stones of the place, and put it under his head,
12 and lay down in that place to sleep. And he
dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the
earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and
behold the angels of God ascending and de-
13 scending on it. And, behold, the LORD stood
²above it, and said, I am the LORD, the God of ² Or, *beside*
Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: *him*
the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give
14 it, and to thy seed; and thy seed shall be as
the dust of the earth, and thou shalt ³spread ³ Heb. *break*
abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the *forth.*
north, and to the south: and in thee and in
thy seed shall all the families of the earth
15 be blessed. And, behold, I am with thee,
and will keep thee whithersoever thou goest,
and will bring thee again into this land; for
I will not leave thee, until I have done that
16 which I have spoken to thee of. And Jacob
awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely
the LORD is in this place; and I knew it not.
17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful
is this place! this is none other but the house
18 of God, and this is the gate of heaven. And
Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took
the stone that he had put under his head, and
set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the
19 top of it. And he called the name of that place
‘Beth-el: but the name of the city was Luz ⁴ That is,
20 at the first. And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, *The house*
If God will be with me, and will keep me in *of God.*
this way that I go, and will give me bread to

¹ Or, *and the LORD will be my God, then this stone &c.*

eat, and raiment to put on, so that I come ²¹
again to my father's house in peace, ¹then shall
the LORD be my God, and this stone, which I ²²
have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house:
and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely
give the tenth unto thee.

² Heb. *lifted up his feet.*

Then Jacob ²went on his journey, and came ¹ **29**
to the land of the children of the east. And ²
he looked, and behold a well in the field, and,
lo, three flocks of sheep lying there by it; for
out of that well they watered the flocks: and
the stone upon the well's mouth was great.
And thither were all the flocks gathered: ³
and they rolled the stone from the well's
mouth, and watered the sheep, and put the
stone again upon the well's mouth in its place.
And Jacob said unto them, My brethren, ⁴
whence be ye? And they said, Of Haran are
we. And he said unto them, Know ye Laban ⁵
the son of Nahor? And they said, We know
him. And he said unto them, Is it well with ⁶
him? And they said, It is well: and, behold,
Rachel his daughter cometh with the sheep.
And he said, Lo, it is yet high day, neither ⁷
is it time that the cattle should be gathered
together: water ye the sheep, and go and feed
them. And they said, We cannot, until all the ⁸
flocks be gathered together, and they roll the
stone from the well's mouth; then we water
the sheep. While he yet spake with them, ⁹
Rachel came with her father's sheep; for she
kept them. And it came to pass, when Jacob ¹⁰
saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's
brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's
brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the
stone from the well's mouth, and watered the
flock of Laban his mother's brother. And Jacob ¹¹
kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and

12 wept. And Jacob told Rachel that he was
her father's brother, and that he was Rebekah's
13 son: and she ran and told her father. And
it came to pass, when Laban heard the tidings
of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet
him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and
brought him to his house. And he told Laban
14 all these things. And Laban said to him,
Surely thou art my bone and my flesh. And
15 he abode with him the space of a month. And
Laban said unto Jacob, Because thou art my
brother, shouldest thou therefore serve me for
nought? tell me, what shall thy wages be?
16 And Laban had two daughters: the name of the
elder was Leah, and the name of the younger
17 was Rachel. And Leah's eyes were tender;
but Rachel was beautiful and well favoured.
18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and he said, I will
serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger
19 daughter. And Laban said, It is better that
I give her to thee, than that I should give
20 her to another man: abide with me. And
Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they
seemed unto him but a few days, for the love
21 he had to her. And Jacob said unto Laban,
Give me my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that
22 I may go in unto her. And Laban gathered
together all the men of the place, and made a
23 feast. And it came to pass in the evening,
that he took Leah his daughter, and brought
24 her to him; and he went in unto her. And
Laban gave Zilpah his handmaid unto his daugh-
25 ter Leah for an handmaid. And it came to
pass in the morning that, behold, it was Leah:
and he said to Laban, What is this thou hast
done unto me? did not I serve with thee for
Rachel? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me?
26 And Laban said, It is not so done in our

place, to give the younger before the firstborn. Fulfil the week of this one, and we will give ²⁷ thee the other also for the service which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years. And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week: and ²⁸ he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife. And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bil- ²⁹ hah his handmaid to be her handmaid. And ³⁰ he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.

And the LORD saw that Leah was hated, and ³¹ he opened her womb: but Rachel was barren. And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she ³² called his name Reuben: for she said, Because the LORD ¹hath looked upon my affliction; for now my husband will love me. And she con- ³³ ceived again, and bare a son; and said, Because the LORD ²hath heard that I am hated, he hath therefore given me this *son* also: and she called his name ³Simeon. And she conceived again, ³⁴ and bare a son; and said, Now this time will my husband be ⁴joined unto me, because I have borne him three sons: therefore was his name called Levi. And she conceived again, and ³⁵ bare a son: and she said, This time will I ⁵praise the LORD: therefore she called his name ⁶Judah; and she left bearing.

And when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob ¹ **30** no children, Rachel envied her sister; and she said unto Jacob, Give me children, or else I die. And Jacob's anger was kindled ² against Rachel: and he said, Am I in God's stead, who hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb? And she said, Behold my maid ³ Bilhah, go in unto her; that she may bear upon my knees, and I also may ⁷obtain children by her. And she gave him Bilhah her hand- ⁴

¹ Heb. *raah beonyi*.

² Heb. *shama*.

³ Heb. *Shimeon*.

⁴ From the root *lavah*.

⁵ From the Heb. *hoday*.

⁶ Heb. *Jehudah*.

⁷ Heb. *be builde* by her.

- maid to wife: and Jacob went in unto her.
 5 And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob a son.
 6 And Rachel said, God hath ¹judged me, and hath also heard my voice, and hath given me a
 7 son: therefore called she his name Dan. And Bilhah Rachel's handmaid conceived again, and
 8 bare Jacob a second son. And Rachel said, With ²mighty wrestlings have I ³wrestled with my sister, and have prevailed: and she called
 9 his name Naphtali. When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Zilpah her handmaid,
 10 and gave her to Jacob to wife. And Zilpah Leah's handmaid bare Jacob a son. And Leah
 11 said, ⁴Fortunate! and she called his name
 12 ⁵Gad. And Zilpah Leah's handmaid bare Jacob
 13 a second son. And Leah said, ⁶Happy am I! for the daughters will ⁷call me happy: and
 14 she called his name Asher. And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found ⁸mandrakes in the field, and brought them unto his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, Give me, I pray thee, of thy son's mandrakes.
 15 And she said unto her, Is it a small matter that thou hast taken away my husband? and wouldest thou take away my son's mandrakes also? And Rachel said, Therefore he shall lie with thee
 16 to-night for thy son's mandrakes. And Jacob came from the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, Thou must come in unto me; for I have surely hired thee with my son's mandrakes. And he lay with
 17 her that night. And God hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob a fifth son.
 18 And Leah said, God hath given me my ⁹hire, because I gave my handmaid to my husband:
 19 and she called his name Issachar. And Leah conceived again, and bare a sixth son to Jacob.
 20 And Leah said, God hath endowed me with a

¹ Heb. *dan*,
he judged.

² Heb.
wrestlings
of God.

³ Heb. *niphtal*,
he wrestled.

⁴ Heb. *With*
fortune!
Another
reading is,
Fortune is
come.

⁵ That is,
Fortune.

⁶ Heb. *With*
my happiness!

⁷ Heb. *asher*,
to call happy.

⁸ Or, *love-*
apples

⁹ Heb. *sachar*.

¹ Heb. *zabal*,
he dwelt.

good dowry; now will my husband ¹dwell with me, because I have borne him six sons: and she called his name Zebulun. And afterwards ²¹ she bare a daughter, and called her name Dinah. And God remembered Rachel, and God heark- ²² ened to her, and opened her womb. And she ²³ conceived, and bare a son: and said, God hath taken away my reproach: and she called his ²⁴ name Joseph, saying, The LORD ²add to me another son.

² Heb. *joseph*.

And it came to pass, when Rachel had ²⁵ borne Joseph, that Jacob said unto Laban, Send me away, that I may go unto mine own place, and to my country. Give me my wives ²⁶ and my children for whom I have served thee, and let me go: for thou knowest my service wherewith I have served thee. And Laban ²⁷ said unto him, If now I have found favour in thine eyes, *tarry: for* I have divined that the LORD hath blessed me for thy sake. And he ²⁸ said, Appoint me thy wages, and I will give it. And he said unto him, Thou knowest how I ²⁹ have served thee, and how thy cattle hath fared with me. For it was little which thou hadst ³⁰ before I came, and it hath ³increased unto a multitude; and the LORD hath blessed thee ⁴whithersoever I turned: and now when shall I provide for mine own house also? And he said, ³¹ What shall I give thee? And Jacob said, Thou shalt not give me aught: if thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again feed thy flock and keep it. I will pass through all thy flock to- ³² day, removing from thence every speckled and spotted one, and every black one among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and *of such* shall be my hire. So shall my ³³ righteousness answer for me hereafter, when thou shalt come concerning my hire that is before

³ Heb. *broken forth*.

⁴ Heb. *at my foot*.

thee: every one that is not speckled and spotted among the goats, and black among the sheep, that *if found* with me shall be counted stolen.

34 And Laban said, Behold, I would it might be
 35 according to thy word. And he removed that day the he-goats that were ringstraked and spotted, and all the she-goats that were speckled and spotted, every one that had white in it, and all the black ones among the sheep, and gave
 36 them into the hand of his sons; and he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob:
 37 and Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks. And Jacob took him rods of fresh 'poplar, and of the almond and of the plane tree; and peeled ^{1 Or, storax tree} white strakes in them, and made the white
 38 appear which was in the rods. And he set the rods which he had peeled over against the flocks in the gutters in the watering troughs where the flocks came to drink; and they conceived when they came to drink. And the
 39 flocks conceived before the rods, and the flocks brought forth ringstraked, speckled, and spotted.

40 And Jacob separated the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the ringstraked and all the black in the flock of Laban; and he put his own droves apart, and put them not unto
 41 Laban's flock. And it came to pass, whensoever the stronger of the flock did conceive, that Jacob laid the rods before the eyes of the flock in the gutters, that they might conceive
 42 among the rods; but when the flock were feeble, he put them not in: so the feebler were
 43 Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's. And the man increased exceedingly, and had large flocks, and maidservants and menservants, and camels and asses.

31 I And he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Jacob hath taken away all that was

¹ Or, *wealth*

our father's; and of that which was our father's
hath he gotten all this ¹glory. And Jacob ²
beheld the countenance of Laban, and, behold,
it was not toward him as beforetime. And ³
the LORD said unto Jacob, Return unto the
land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred; and
I will be with thee. And Jacob sent and ⁴
called Rachel and Leah to the field unto his
flock, and said unto them, I see your father's ⁵
countenance, that it is not toward me as before-
time; but the God of my father hath been with
me. And ye know that with all my power I ⁶
have served your father. And your father hath ⁷
deceived me, and changed my wages ten times;
but God suffered him not to hurt me. If he ⁸
said thus, The speckled shall be thy wages;
then all the flock bare speckled: and if he said
thus, The ringstraked shall be thy wages; then
bare all the flock ringstraked. Thus God hath ⁹
taken away the cattle of your father, and given
them to me. And it came to pass at the time ¹⁰
that the flock conceived, that I lifted up mine
eyes, and saw in a dream, and, behold, the he-
goats which leaped upon the flock were ring-
straked, speckled, and grisled. And the angel ¹¹
of God said unto me in the dream, Jacob: and
I said, Here am I. And he said, Lift up now ¹²
thine eyes, and see, all the he-goats which leap
upon the flock are ringstraked, speckled, and
grisled: for I have seen all that Laban doeth
unto thee. I am the God of Beth-el, where ¹³
thou anointedst a pillar, where thou vowedst a
vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this
land, and return unto the land of thy nativity.
And Rachel and Leah answered and said unto ¹⁴
him, Is there yet any portion or inheritance for
us in our father's house? Are we not counted ¹⁵
of him strangers? for he hath sold us, and hath

- 16 also quite devoured ¹our money. For all the riches which God hath taken away from our father, that is ours and our children's: now then, whatsoever God hath said unto thee, do.
 17 Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his
 18 wives upon the camels; and he carried away all his cattle, and all his substance which he had gathered, the cattle of his getting, which he had gathered in Paddan-aram, for to go to Isaac
 19 his father unto the land of Canaan. Now Laban was gone to shear his sheep: and Rachel
 20 stole the ²teraphim that were her father's. And Jacob ³stole away unawares to Laban the Syrian,
 21 in that he told him not that he fled. So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over ⁴the River, and set his face toward the mountain of Gilead.
 22 And it was told Laban on the third day
 23 that Jacob was fled. And he took his brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and he overtook him in the mountain
 24 of Gilead. And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream of the night, and said unto him, Take heed to thyself that thou speak not to
 25 Jacob either good or bad. And Laban came up with Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mountain: and Laban with his brethren pitched in the mountain of Gilead.
 26 And Laban said to Jacob, What hast thou done, that thou hast stolen away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters as
 27 captives of the sword? Wherefore didst thou flee secretly, and ⁵steal away from me; and didst not tell me, that I might have sent thee away with mirth and with songs, with tabret
 28 and with harp; and hast not suffered me to kiss my sons and my daughters? now hast
 29 thou done foolishly. It is in the power of my

¹ Or, the price paid for us

² See vv. 30, 34, Judg. xvii. 5, 1 Sam. xix. 13, and Hos. iii. 4.
³ Heb. stole the heart of Laban the Aramean.

⁴ That is, the Euphrates.

⁵ Heb. didst steal me.

hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father spake unto me yesternight, saying, Take heed to thyself that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad. And now, *though* thou wouldest 30 needs be gone, because thou sore longedst after thy father's house, *yet* wherefore hast thou stolen my gods? And Jacob answered and said to 31 Laban, Because I was afraid: for I said, Lest thou shouldest take thy daughters from me by force. With whomsoever thou findest thy gods, 32 he shall not live: before our brethren discern thou what is thine with me, and take it to thee. For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them. And Laban went into Jacob's 33 tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the tent of the two maidservants; but he found them not. And he went out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent. Now Rachel had taken 34 the teraphim, and put them in the camel's furniture, and sat upon them. And Laban felt about all the tent, but found them not. And 35 she said to her father, Let not my lord be angry that I cannot rise up before thee; for the manner of women is upon me. And he searched, but found not the teraphim. And Jacob was 36 wroth, and chode with Laban: and Jacob answered and said to Laban, What is my trespass? what is my sin, that thou hast hotly pursued after me? Whereas thou hast felt 37 about all my stuff, what hast thou found of all thy household stuff? Set it here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge betwixt us two. This twenty years have I 38 been with thee; thy ewes and thy she-goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flocks have I not eaten. That which was torn 39 of beasts I brought not unto thee; I bare the loss of it; of my hand didst thou require it,

40 whether stolen by day or stolen by night. Thus
 I was; in the day the drought consumed me,
 and the frost by night; and my sleep fled
 41 from mine eyes. These twenty years have I
 been in thy house; I served thee fourteen
 years for thy two daughters, and six years for
 thy flock: and thou hast changed my wages ten
 42 times. Except the God of my father, the God
 of Abraham, and the Fear of Isaac, had been
 with me, surely now hadst thou sent me away
 empty. God hath seen mine affliction and the
 labour of my hands, and rebuked thee yester-
 43 night. And Laban answered and said unto
 Jacob, The daughters are my daughters, and
 the children are my children, and the flocks
 are my flocks, and all that thou seest is mine:
 and what can I do this day unto these my
 daughters, or unto their children which they have
 44 borne? And now come, let us make a coven-
 ant, I and thou; and let it be for a witness
 45 between me and thee. And Jacob took a stone,
 46 and set it up for a pillar. And Jacob said
 unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they
 took stones, and made an heap: and they did
 47 eat there by the heap. And Laban called it
¹Jegar-sahadutha: but Jacob called it ²Galeed.
 48 And Laban said, This heap is witness between
 me and thee this day. Therefore was the
 49 name of it called Galeed: and ³Mizpah, for
 he said, The LORD watch between me and thee,
 50 when we are ⁴absent one from another. If
 thou shalt afflict my daughters, and if thou shalt
 take wives beside my daughters, no man is with
 us; see, God is witness betwixt me and thee.
 51 And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap,
 and behold the pillar, which I have set betwixt
 52 me and thee. This heap be witness, and the
 pillar be witness, that I will not pass over

¹ That is,
*The heap of
 witness,*
 in Aramaic.

² That is,
*The heap of
 witness,*
 in Hebrew.

³ That is, *The
 watch-tower.*

⁴ Heb. *hidden.*

this heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.

The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, ⁵³ the ¹God of their father, judge betwixt us. And

Jacob swore by the Fear of his father Isaac.

And Jacob offered a sacrifice in the mountain, ⁵⁴

and called his brethren to eat bread: and they

did eat bread, and tarried all night in the

mountain. And early in the morning Laban ⁵⁵

rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters,

and blessed them: and Laban departed, and

returned unto his place. And Jacob went on ¹ **32**

his way, and the angels of God met him. And ²

Jacob said when he saw them, This is God's

host: and he called the name of that place

²Mahanaim.

² That is,
Hosts, or,
Companies.

And Jacob sent messengers before him to ³

Esau his brother unto the land of Seir, the field

of Edom. And he commanded them, saying, ⁴

Thus shall ye say unto my lord Esau; Thus

saith thy servant Jacob, I have sojourned with

Laban, and stayed until now: and I have oxen, ⁵

and asses *and* flocks, and menservants and maid-

servants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that

I may find grace in thy sight. And the mes- ⁶

sengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came

to thy brother Esau, and moreover he cometh

to meet thee, and four hundred men with him.

Then Jacob was greatly afraid and was dis- ⁷

tressed: and he divided the people that was

with him, and the flocks, and the herds, and

the camels, into two companies; and he said, If ⁸

Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then

the company which is left shall escape. And ⁹

Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and

God of my father Isaac, O LORD, which saidst

unto me, Return unto thy country, and to thy

- 10 kindred, and I will do thee good: ¹I am not ¹ Heb. *I am*
worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of ^{less than all}
all the truth, which thou hast shewed unto thy ^{&c.}
servant; for with my staff I passed over this
Jordan; and now I am become two companies.
- 11 Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of
my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear
him, lest he come and smite me, the mother
12 with the children. And thou saidst, I will
surely do thee good, and make thy seed as
the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered
13 for multitude. And he lodged there that
night; and took of that which he had with
14 him a present for Esau his brother; two
hundred she-goats and twenty he-goats, two
15 hundred ewes and twenty rams, thirty milch
camels and their colts, forty kine and ten bulls,
16 twenty she-asses and ten foals. And he de-
livered them into the hand of his servants,
every drove by itself; and said unto his
servants, Pass over before me, and put a space
17 betwixt drove and drove. And he commanded
the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother
meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying, Whose
art thou? and whither goest thou? and whose
18 are these before thee? then thou shalt say, *They*
be thy servant Jacob's; it is a present sent unto
my lord Esau: and, behold, he also is behind
19 us. And he commanded also the second, and
the third, and all that followed the droves,
saying, On this manner shall ye speak unto
20 Esau, when ye find him; and ye shall say,
Moreover, behold, thy servant Jacob is behind
us. For he said, I will appease him with the
present that goeth before me, and afterward I
will see his face; peradventure he will accept me.
21 So the present passed over before him: and he
himself lodged that night in the company.

And he rose up that night, and took his two ²² wives, and his two handmaids, and his eleven children, and passed over the ford of Jabbok. And he took them, and sent them over the ²³ stream, and sent over that he had. And Jacob ²⁴ was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. And when he saw ²⁵ that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained, as he wrestled with him. And he said, Let me go, for the day ²⁶ breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me. And he said unto him, ²⁷ What is thy name? And he said, Jacob. And he said, Thy name shall be called no ²⁸ more Jacob, but ¹Israel: for ²thou hast ³striven with God and *with* men, and hast prevailed. And Jacob asked him, and said, Tell me, I ²⁹ pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there. And Jacob called the ³⁰ name of the place ⁴Peniel: for, *said he*, I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved. And the sun rose upon him as he passed over ³¹ Penuel, and he halted upon his thigh. There- ³² fore the children of Israel eat not the sinew of the hip which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew of the hip.

And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, ¹ **33** and, behold, Esau came, and with him four hundred men. And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids. And he put the handmaids and their ² children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph hindermost. And he himself passed over before them, and ³ bowed himself to the ground seven times, until

¹ That is, *He who striveth with God, or, God striveth.*

² The Sept. and Vulgate have, *thou hast had power with God, and thou shalt prevail against men.*

³ Or, *had power with*

⁴ That is, *The face of God.*

4 he came near to his brother. And Esau ran
 to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his
 5 neck, and kissed him: and they wept. And he
 lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the
 children; and said, Who are these with thee?
 And he said, The children which God hath
 6 graciously given thy servant. Then the hand-
 maids came near, they and their children, and
 7 they bowed themselves. And Leah also and
 her children came near, and bowed themselves:
 and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and
 8 they bowed themselves. And he said, What
 meanest thou by all this company which I met?
 And he said, To find grace in the sight of
 9 my lord. And Esau said, I have enough; my
 10 brother, let that thou hast be thine. And
 Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have
 found grace in thy sight, then receive my
 present at my hand: ¹forasmuch as I have seen
 thy face, as one seeth the face of God, and
 11 thou wast pleased with me. Take, I pray thee,
 my ²gift that is brought to thee; because God
 hath dealt graciously with me, and because I
 have ³enough. And he urged him, and he took
 12 it. And he said, Let us take our journey, and
 13 let us go, and I will go before thee. And
 he said unto him, My lord knoweth that the
 children are tender, and that the flocks and
 herds with me give suck: and if they overdrive
 14 them one day, all the flocks will die. Let
 my lord, I pray thee, pass over before his
 servant: and I will lead on softly, according to
 the pace of the cattle that is before me and
 according to the pace of the children, until I
 15 come unto my lord unto Seir. And Esau said,
 Let me now leave with thee some of the folk
 that are with me. And he said, What needeth
 it? let me find grace in the sight of my lord.

¹ Or, *for
therefore have
I seen*

² Heb.
blessing.

³ Heb. *all.*

So Esau returned that day on his way unto ¹⁶ Seir. And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and ¹⁷ built him an house, and made booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called ¹Succoth.

¹ That is,
Booths.

² Or, to
Shalem, a city

And Jacob came ²in peace to the city of ¹⁸ Shechem, which is in the land of Canaan, when he came from Paddan-aram; and encamped before the city. And he bought the parcel of ¹⁹ ground, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Hamor, Shechem's father, for an hundred ³pieces of money. And ²⁰ he erected there an altar, and called it ⁴El-elohe-Israel.

³ Heb. *kesitah.*

⁴ That is, *God,*
the God of
Israel.

And Dinah the daughter of Leah, which ¹ **34** she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land. And Shechem the son of ² Hamor the Hivite, the prince of the land, saw her; and he took her, and lay with her, and humbled her. And his soul clave unto ³ Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the damsel, and spake ⁵kindly unto the damsel. And Shechem spake unto his father Hamor, ⁴ saying, Get me this damsel to wife. Now ⁵ Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter; and his sons were with his cattle in the field: and Jacob held his peace until they came. And Hamor the father of Shechem ⁶ went out unto Jacob to commune with him. And the sons of Jacob came in from the field ⁷ when they heard it: and the men were grieved, and they were very wroth, because he had wrought folly in Israel in lying with Jacob's daughter; which thing ought not to be done. And Hamor communed with them, saying, The ⁸ soul of my son Shechem longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her unto him to wife. And make ye marriages with us; give ⁹

⁵ Heb. *to the*
heart of the
damsel.

your daughters unto us, and take our daughters
10 unto you. And ye shall dwell with us: and
the land shall be before you; dwell and trade ye
11 therein, and get you possessions therein. And
Shechem said unto her father and unto her
brethren, Let me find grace in your eyes, and
12 what ye shall say unto me I will give. Ask
me never so much dowry and gift, and I will
give according as ye shall say unto me: but
13 give me the damsel to wife. And the sons of
Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father
with guile, and spake, because he had defiled
14 Dinah their sister, and said unto them, We
cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one
that is uncircumcised; for that were a reproach
15 unto us: only on this condition will we consent
unto you: if ye will be as we be, that every
16 male of you be circumcised; then will we give
our daughters unto you, and we will take your
daughters to us, and we will dwell with you,
17 and we will become one people. But if ye
will not hearken unto us, to be circumcised;
then will we take our daughter, and we will be
18 gone. And their words pleased Hamor, and
19 Shechem Hamor's son. And the young man
deferred not to do the thing, because he
had delight in Jacob's daughter: and he was
honoured above all the house of his father.
20 And Hamor and Shechem his son came unto
the gate of their city, and communed with the
21 men of their city, saying, These men are peace-
able with us; therefore let them dwell in the
land, and trade therein; for, behold, the land
is large enough for them; let us take their
daughters to us for wives, and let us give them
22 our daughters. Only on this condition will
the men consent unto us to dwell with us, to
become one people, if every male among us be

circumcised, as they are circumcised. Shall not ²³
their cattle and their substance and all their beasts
be ours? only let us consent unto them, and
they will dwell with us. And unto Hamor and ²⁴
unto Shechem his son hearkened all that went
out of the gate of his city; and every male was
circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his
city. And it came to pass on the third day, ²⁵
when they were sore, that two of the sons of
Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren,
took each man his sword, and came upon the
city ¹unawares, and slew all the males. And ²⁶
they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with
the edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of
Shechem's house, and went forth. The sons ²⁷
of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled
the city; because they had defiled their sister.
They took their flocks and their herds and ²⁸
their asses, and that which was in the city, and
that which was in the field; and all their wealth, ²⁹
and all their little ones and their wives, took
they captive and spoiled, even all that was in
the house. And Jacob said to Simeon and ³⁰
Levi, Ye have troubled me, to make me to
stink among the inhabitants of the land, among
the Canaanites and the Perizzites: and, I being
few in number, they will gather themselves
together against me and smite me; and I shall
be destroyed, I and my house. And they said, ³¹
Should he deal with our sister as with an
harlot?

¹ Or,
boldly

And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to ¹ **35**
Beth-el, and dwell there: and make there an
altar unto God, who appeared unto thee when
thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.
Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all ²
that were with him, Put away the strange gods
that are among you, and purify yourselves, and

3 change your garments: and let us arise, and go up to Beth-el; and I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I
4 went. And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which were in their hand, and the rings which were in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the ¹oak which was by Shechem.

¹ Or, *terebinth*

5 And they journeyed: and ²a great terror was upon the cities that were round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob.

² Heb. *a terror of God.*

6 So Jacob came to Luz, which is in the land of Canaan (the same is Beth-el), he and all the
7 people that were with him. And he built there an altar, and called the place ³El-beth-el: be-

³ That is, *The God of Beth-el.*

cause there God was revealed unto him, when
8 he fled from the face of his brother. And Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried below Beth-el under the oak: and the name of it was called ⁴Allon-bacuth.

⁴ That is, *The oak of weeping.*

9 And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came from Paddan-aram, and blessed him.

10 And God said unto him, Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his

11 name Israel. And God said unto him, I am

⁵God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of

⁵ Heb. *El Shaddai.*

12 thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins; and the land which I gave unto Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after

13 thee will I give the land. And God went up from him in the place where he spake with

14 him. And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he spake with him, a pillar of stone: and he poured out a drink offering thereon,

15 and poured oil thereon. And Jacob called the

name of the place where God spake with him, Beth-el. And they journeyed from Beth-el; ¹⁶ and there was still some way to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour. And it came to pass, when she was ¹⁷ in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her, Fear not; for now thou shalt have another son. And it came to pass, as her soul was in de- ¹⁸ parting (for she died), that she called his name ¹Ben-oni: but his father called him ²Benjamin. And Rachel died, and was buried in the way to ¹⁹ Ephrath (the same is Beth-lehem). And Jacob ²⁰ set up a pillar upon her grave: the same is the Pillar of Rachel's grave unto this day. And ²¹ Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Eder. And it came to pass, while ²² Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard of it.

¹ That is,
*The son of
my sorrow.*

² That is,
*The son of the
right hand.*

Now the sons of Jacob were twelve: the ²³ sons of Leah; Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun: the sons of Rachel; Joseph ²⁴ and Benjamin: and the sons of Bilhah, Ra- ²⁵ chel's handmaid; Dan and Naphtali: and the ²⁶ sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid; Gad and Asher: these are the sons of Jacob, which were born to him in Paddan-aram. And Jacob ²⁷ came unto Isaac his father to Mamre, to Kir-iath-arba (the same is Hebron), where Abraham and Isaac sojourned. And the days of Isaac ²⁸ were an hundred and fourscore years. And ²⁹ Isaac gave up the ghost, and died, and was gathered unto his people, old and full of days: and Esau and Jacob his sons buried him.

Now these are the generations of Esau (the ¹ **36** same is Edom). Esau took his wives of the ² daughters of Canaan; Adah the daughter of

Elon the Hittite, and Oholibamah the daughter
 of Anah, the ¹daughter of Zibeon the Hivite ; ¹ Some
 3 and Basemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of ancient
 4 Nebaioth. And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz ; have, *son*.
 5 and Basemath bare Reuel ; and Oholibamah See ver. 24.
 bare Jeush, and Jalam, and Korah : these are
 the sons of Esau, which were born unto him
 6 in the land of Canaan. And Esau took his
 wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and
 all the souls of his house, and his cattle, and
 all his beasts, and all his possessions, which he
 had gathered in the land of Canaan ; and went
 7 into a land away from his brother Jacob. For
 their substance was too great for them to dwell
 together ; and the land of their sojournings could
 8 not bear them because of their cattle. And
 Esau dwelt in mount Seir : Esau is Edom.
 9 And these are the generations of Esau the
 10 father of ²the Edomites in mount Seir : these ² Heb. *Edom*.
 are the names of Esau's sons ; Eliphaz the
 son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the son
 11 of Basemath the wife of Esau. And the sons
 of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, ³Zepho, and ³ In 1 Chr. i.
 12 Gatam, and Kenaz. And Timna was con- 36, *Zephi*.
 cubine to Eliphaz Esau's son ; and she bare
 to Eliphaz Amalek : these are the sons of
 13 Adah Esau's wife. And these are the sons of
 Reuel ; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and
 Mizzah : these were the sons of Basemath
 14 Esau's wife. And these were the sons of Oho-
 libamah the daughter of Anah, the daughter
 of Zibeon, Esau's wife : and she bare to Esau
 15 Jeush, and Jalam, and Korah. These are the
⁴dukes of the sons of Esau : the sons of Eliphaz ⁴ Or, *chiefs*
 the firstborn of Esau ; duke Teman, duke
 16 Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz, duke Korah,
 duke Gatam, duke Amalek : these are the
 dukes that came of Eliphaz in the land of

Edom; these are the sons of Adah. And ¹⁷
 these are the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke
 Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah, duke
 Mizzah: these are the dukes that came of
 Reuel in the land of Edom; these are the sons
 of Basemath Esau's wife. And these are the ¹⁸
 sons of Oholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush,
 duke Jalam, duke Korah: these are the dukes
 that came of Oholibamah the daughter of
 Anah, Esau's wife. These are the sons of ¹⁹
 Esau, and these are their dukes: the same is
 Edom.

These are the sons of Seir the Horite, the ²⁰
 inhabitants of the land; Lotan and Shobal and
 Zibeon and Anah, and Dishon and Ezer and ²¹
 Dishan: these are the dukes that came of the
 Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom.

¹ In I Chr. i.
39, *Homam*.

² In I Chr. i.
40, *Alvan*.

³ In I Chr. i.
40, *Shephi*.

And the children of Lotan were Hori and ²²
¹He-
mam; and Lotan's sister was Timna. And ²³
 these are the children of Shobal; ²Alvan and
 Manahath and Ebal, ³Shepho and Onam.

And these are the children of Zibeon; Aiah ²⁴
 and Anah: this is Anah who found the hot
 springs in the wilderness, as he fed the asses
 of Zibeon his father. And these are the child- ²⁵
 ren of Anah; Dishon and Oholibamah the
 daughter of Anah. And these are the children ²⁶
 of ⁴Dishon; ⁵Hemdan and Eshban and Ithran
 and Cheran. These are the children of Ezer; ²⁷

⁴ Heb.
Dishan.

⁵ In I Chr. i.
41, *Hamran*.

⁶ In I Chr. i.
42, *Jaakan*.

Bilhan and Zaavan and ⁶Akan. These are the ²⁸
 children of Dishan; Uz and Aran. These are ²⁹
 the dukes that came of the Horites; duke Lotan,
 duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah, duke ³⁰
 Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these are the
 dukes that came of the Horites, according to
 their dukes in the land of Seir.

And these are the kings that reigned in the ³¹
 land of Edom, before there reigned any king

32 over the children of Israel. And Bela the son
 of Beor reigned in Edom; and the name of
 33 his city was Dinhabah. And Bela died, and
 Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in
 34 his stead. And Jobab died, and Husham of
 the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead.
 35 And Husham died, and Hadad the son of
 Bedad, who smote Midian in the field of Moab,
 reigned in his stead: and the name of his city
 36 was Avith. And Hadad died, and Samlah of
 37 Masrekah reigned in his stead. And Samlah
 died, and Shaul of Rehoboth by the River reigned
 38 in his stead. And Shaul died, and Baal-hanan
 39 the son of Achbor reigned in his stead. And
 Baal-hanan the son of Achbor died, and ¹Hadar
 reigned in his stead: and the name of his city
 was ²Pau; and his wife's name was Mehetabel,
 the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Me-za-
 40 hab. And these are the names of the dukes that
 came of Esau, according to their families, after
 their places, by their names; duke Timnah,
 41 duke ³Alvah, duke Jetheth; duke Oholibamah,
 42 duke Elah, duke Pinon; duke Kenaz, duke
 43 Teman, duke Mibzar; duke Magdiel, duke Iram:
 these be the dukes of Edom, according to their
 habitations in the land of their possession. This
 is Esau the father of ⁴the Edomites.

¹ In 1 Chr. i. 50, and some ancient authorities, *Hadad*.

² In 1 Chr. i. 50, *Pai*.

³ In 1 Chr. i. 51, *Aliah*.

⁴ Heb. *Edom*.

37 ¹ And Jacob dwelt in the land of his father's
 2 sojournings, in the land of Canaan. These are
 the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seven-
 teen years old, was feeding the flock with his
 brethren; and he was a lad with the sons of
 Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's
 wives: and Joseph brought the evil report of
 3 them unto their father. Now Israel loved Joseph
 more than all his children, because he was the
 son of his old age: and he made him ⁵a coat
 4 of many colours. And his brethren saw that

⁵ Or, *a long garment with sleeves*

their father loved him more than all his brethren; and they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him. And Joseph dreamed a dream, ⁵ and he told it to his brethren: and they hated him yet the more. And he said unto them, ⁶ Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed: for, behold, we were binding sheaves ⁷ in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves came round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf. And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed ⁸ reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words. And he ⁹ dreamed yet another dream, and told it to his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed yet a dream; and, behold, the sun and the moon and eleven stars made obeisance to me. And he ¹⁰ told it to his father, and to his brethren; and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What is this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth? And ¹¹ his brethren envied him; but his father kept the saying in mind. And his brethren went ¹² to feed their father's flock in Shechem. And ¹³ Israel said unto Joseph, Do not thy brethren feed the flock in Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him, Here am I. And he said to him, Go now, ¹⁴ see whether it be well with thy brethren, and well with the flock; and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem. And a certain man ¹⁵ found him, and, behold, he was wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou? And he said, I seek my ¹⁶ brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they are

17 feeding *the flock*. And the man said, They
 are departed hence: for I heard them say, Let
 us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his
 18 brethren, and found them in Dothan. And
 they saw him afar off, and before he came near
 unto them, they conspired against him to slay
 19 him. And they said one to another, Behold,
 20 this ¹dreamer cometh. Come now therefore,
 and let us slay him, and cast him into one of
 the pits, and we will say, An evil beast hath
 devoured him: and we shall see what will
 21 become of his dreams. And Reuben heard it,
 and delivered him out of their hand; and said,
 22 Let us not take his life. And Reuben said unto
 them, Shed no blood; cast him into this pit
 that is in the wilderness, but lay no hand upon
 him: that he might deliver him out of their
 23 hand, to restore him to his father. And it
 came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his
 brethren, that they stript Joseph of his coat,
 24 the coat of many colours that was on him; and
 they took him, and cast him into the pit: and
 the pit was empty, there was no water in it.
 25 And they sat down to eat bread: and they
 lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a
 travelling company of Ishmaelites came from
 Gilead, with their camels bearing ²spicery and
³balm and ⁴myrrh, going to carry it down to
 26 Egypt. And Judah said unto his brethren,
 What profit is it if we slay our brother and con-
 27 ceal his blood? Come, and let us sell him to
 the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon
 him; for he is our brother, our flesh. And his
 28 brethren hearkened unto him. And there passed
 by Midianites, merchantmen; and they drew
 and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold
 Joseph to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of
 silver. And they brought Joseph into Egypt.

¹ Heb. *master of dreams.*

² Or, *gum tragacanth*
Or. *storax*

³ Or, *mastic*

⁴ Or, *ladanum*

And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, behold, 29
 Joseph was not in the pit; and he rent his
 clothes. And he returned unto his brethren, 30
 and said, The child is not; and I, whither shall
 I go? And they took Joseph's coat, and killed 31
 a he-goat, and dipped the coat in the blood;
 and they sent the coat of many colours, and 32
 they brought it to their father; and said, This
 have we found: know now whether it be thy
 son's coat or not. And he knew it, and said, 33
 It is my son's coat; an evil beast hath de-
 voured him; Joseph is without doubt torn in
 pieces. And Jacob rent his garments, and put 34
 sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his
 son many days. And all his sons and all his 35
 daughters rose up to comfort him; but he
 refused to be comforted; and he said, For I
 will go down to ¹the grave to my son mourn-
 ing. And his father wept for him. And the 36
²Midianites sold him into Egypt unto Potiphar,
 an officer of Pharaoh's, the ³captain of the
 guard.

¹ Heb. *Sheol*,
 the name of
 the abode of
 the dead,
 answering to
 the Greek
 Hades, Acts
 ii. 27.

² Heb.
Medanites.

³ Heb. *chief*
of the execu-
tioners.

And it came to pass at that time, that Judah 1 **38**
 went down from his brethren, and turned
 in to a certain Adullamite, whose name was
 Hirah. And Judah saw there a daughter of a 2
 certain Canaanite whose name was Shua; and
 he took her, and went in unto her. And she 3
 conceived, and bare a son; and he called his
 name Er. And she conceived again, and bare 4
 a son; and she called his name Onan. And 5
 she yet again bare a son, and called his name
 Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare
 him. And Judah took a wife for Er his 6
 firstborn, and her name was Tamar. And 7
 Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight
 of the LORD; and the LORD slew him. And 8
 Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's

wife, and ¹perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her, and raise up seed to thy
9 brother. And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest he should give seed
10 to his brother. And the thing which he did was evil in the sight of the LORD: and he
11 slew him also. Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, Remain a widow in thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown up: for he said, Lest he also die, like his brethren. And Tamar went and dwelt in her father's
12 house. And in process of time Shua's daughter, the wife of Judah, died; and Judah was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to Timnah, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.
13 And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold, thy father in law goeth up to Timnah to shear his
14 sheep. And she put off from her the garments of her widowhood, and covered herself with her veil, and wrapped herself, and sat in the gate of Enaim, which is by the way to Timnah; for she saw that Shelah was grown up, and she was
15 not given unto him to wife. When Judah saw her, he thought her to be an harlot; for she had
16 covered her face. And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee: for he knew not that she was his daughter in law. And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come
17 in unto me? And he said, I will send thee a kid of the goats from the flock. And she said, Wilt thou give me a pledge, till thou send
18 it? And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, Thy signet and thy cord, and thy staff that is in thine hand. And he gave them to her, and came in unto her, and she conceived

¹ See Deut.
xxv. 5.

by him. And she arose, and went away, and 19
 put off her veil from her, and put on the gar-
 ments of her widowhood. And Judah sent the 20
 kid of the goats by the hand of his friend the
 Adullamite, to receive the pledge from the
 woman's hand: but he found her not. Then 21
 he asked the men of her place, saying, Where is
 the ¹harlot, that was at Enaim by the way
 side? And they said, There hath been no ¹harlot
 here. And he returned to Judah, and said, 22
 I have not found her; and also the men of
 the place said, There hath been no ¹harlot here.
 And Judah said, Let her take it to her, lest we 23
 be put to shame: behold, I sent this kid, and
 thou hast not found her. And it came to pass 24
 about three months after, that it was told Judah,
 saying, Tamar thy daughter in law hath played
 the harlot; and moreover, behold, she is with
 child by whoredom. And Judah said, Bring
 her forth, and let her be burnt. When she was 25
 brought forth, she sent to her father in law,
 saying, By the man, whose these are, am I with
 child: and she said, Discern, I pray thee,
 whose are these, the signet, and the cords,
 and the staff. And Judah acknowledged them, 26
 and said, She is more righteous than I; foras-
 much as I gave her not to Shelah my son.
 And he knew her again no more. And it came 27
 to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold,
 twins were in her womb. And it came to pass, 28
 when she travailed, that one put out a hand:
 and the midwife took and bound upon his hand
 a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first.
 And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, 29
 that, behold, his brother came out: and she
 said, ²Wherefore hast thou made a breach for
 thyself? therefore his name was called ³Perez.
 And afterward came out his brother, that had 30

¹ Heb. *kedeshah*, that is, a woman dedicated to impure heathen worship. See Deut. xxiii. 17, Hos. iv. 14.

² Or, *How hast thou made a breach! a breach be upon thee!*

³ That is, *A breach.*

the scarlet thread upon his hand : and his name was called Zerah.

- 39 ¹ And Joseph was brought down to Egypt ; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hand of the Ishmaelites, which had
² brought him down thither. And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man ; and he was in the house of his master the
³ Egyptian. And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that
⁴ he did to prosper in his hand. And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he ministered unto him : and he made him overseer over his house,
⁵ and all that he had he put into his hand. And it came to pass from the time that he made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake ; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had, in the house and in
⁶ the field. And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand ; and ¹he knew not aught *that was* with him, save the bread which he did eat. And
⁷ Joseph was comely, and well favoured. And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph ; and
⁸ she said, Lie with me. But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master
²knoweth not what is with me in the house, and he hath put all that he hath into my hand ;
⁹ ³there is none greater in this house than I ; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou art his wife : how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin
¹⁰ against God ? And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, *or* to be with her.
¹¹ And it came to pass about this time, that

¹ Or, *with him he knew not*

² Or, *knoweth not with me what is &c.*

³ Or, *he is not*

he went into the house to do his work ; and there was none of the men of the house there within. And she caught him by his garment, ¹² saying, Lie with me : and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out. And it ¹³ came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth, that ¹⁴ she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, See, he hath brought in an Hebrew unto us to mock us ; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice : and it came to pass, when he heard that ¹⁵ I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment by me, and fled, and got him out. And she laid up his garment by her, until ¹⁶ his master came home. And she spake unto ¹⁷ him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew servant, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me : and it came ¹⁸ to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment by me, and fled out. And it came to pass, when his master heard ¹⁹ the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me ; that his wrath was kindled. And ²⁰ Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, the place where the king's prisoners were bound : and he was there in the prison. But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed ²¹ kindness unto him, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison. And the ²² keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison ; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it. The keeper of the prison looked not to any ²³ thing that was under his hand, because the LORD was with him ; and that which he did, the LORD made it to prosper.

40 ¹ And it came to pass after these things, that
the butler of the king of Egypt and his baker
² offended their lord the king of Egypt. And
Pharaoh was wroth against his two officers,
against the chief of the butlers, and against the
³ chief of the bakers. And he put them in ward
in the house of the captain of the guard, into
the prison, the place where Joseph was bound.
⁴ And the captain of the guard charged Joseph
with them, and he ministered unto them : and
⁵ they continued a season in ward. And they
dreamed a dream both of them, each man his
dream, in one night, each man according to the
interpretation of his dream, the butler and the
baker of the king of Egypt, which were bound
⁶ in the prison. And Joseph came in unto
them in the morning, and saw them, and, be-
⁷ hold, they were sad. And he asked Pharaoh's
officers that were with him in ward in his
master's house, saying, Wherefore look ye so
⁸ sadly to-day? And they said unto him, We
have dreamed a dream, and there is none that
can interpret it. And Joseph said unto them,
Do not interpretations belong to God? tell
⁹ it me, I pray you. And the chief butler told
his dream to Joseph, and said to him, In my
¹⁰ dream, behold, a vine was before me ; and
in the vine were three branches : and it was as
though it budded, *and* its blossoms shot forth ;
and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe
¹¹ grapes : and Pharaoh's cup was in my hand ;
and I took the grapes, and pressed them into
Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's
¹² hand. And Joseph said unto him, This is the
interpretation of it : the three branches are
¹³ three days ; within yet three days shall Pharaoh
lift up thine head, and restore thee unto thine
office : and thou shalt give Pharaoh's cup into

his hand, after the former manner when thou wast his butler. But have me in thy remembrance when it shall be well with thee, and shew kindness, I pray thee, unto me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house : for indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews : and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon. When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said unto Joseph, I also was in my dream, and, behold, three baskets of white bread were on my head : and in the uppermost basket there was of all manner of bakemeats for Pharaoh ; and the birds did eat them out of the basket upon my head. And Joseph answered and said, This is the interpretation thereof : the three baskets are three days ; within yet three days shall Pharaoh lift up thy head from off thee, and shall hang thee on a tree ; and the birds shall eat thy flesh from off thee. And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast unto all his servants : and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and the head of the chief baker among his servants. And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again ; and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand : but he hanged the chief baker : as Joseph had interpreted to them. Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgot him.

And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed : and, behold, he stood by the ¹river. And, behold, there came up out of the river seven kine, well favoured and fatfleshed ; and they fed in the reed-grass. And, behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the river, ill favoured and leanfleshed ; and stood by the other kine upon the

¹ Heb. *Yeor*,
that is, the
Nile.

- 4 brink of the river. And the ill favoured and
 leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven well
 favoured and fat kine: So Pharaoh awoke.
 5 And he slept and dreamed a second time: and,
 behold, seven ears of corn came up upon one
 6 stalk, ¹rank and good. And, behold, seven ears, ¹ Heb. *fat*.
 thin and blasted with the east wind, sprung up
 7 after them. And the thin ears swallowed up
 the seven ¹rank and full ears. And Pharaoh
 8 awoke, and, behold, it was a dream. And it
 came to pass in the morning that his spirit was
 troubled; and he sent and called for all the
²magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men there- ² Or, *sacred*
 of: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but *scribes*
 there was none that could interpret them unto
 9 Pharaoh. Then spake the chief butler unto
 Pharaoh, saying, I ³do remember my faults this ³ Or, *will*
 10 day: Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and *make mention*
 put me in ward in the house of the captain of *of*
 11 the guard, me and the chief baker: and we
 dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we
 dreamed each man according to the interpreta-
 12 tion of his dream. And there was with us there
 a young man, an Hebrew, servant to the captain
 of the guard; and we told him, and he in-
 terpreted to us our dreams; to each man ac-
 13 cording to his dream he did interpret. And it
 came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was;
⁴me he restored unto mine office, and him he ⁴ Or, *I was*
 14 hanged. Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, *restored...and*
 and they brought him hastily out of the dun- *he was hanged*
 geon: and he shaved himself, and changed
 15 his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh. And
 Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a
 dream, and there is none that can interpret it:
 and I have heard say of thee, that when thou
 16 hearest a dream thou canst interpret it. And
 Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, It is not in

me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace. And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, In ¹⁷ my dream, behold, I stood upon the brink of the river: and, behold, there came up out of ¹⁸ the river seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured; and they fed in the reed-grass: and, behold, ¹⁹ seven other kine came up after them, poor and very ill favoured and leanfleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness: and the lean and ill favoured kine did eat up ²⁰ the first seven fat kine: and when they had ²¹ eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them; but they were still ill favoured, as at the beginning. So I awoke. And I saw ²² in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up upon one stalk, full and good: and, behold, ²³ seven ears, withered, thin, *and* blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them: and the thin ²⁴ ears swallowed up the seven good ears: and I told it unto the magicians; but there was none that could declare it to me. And Joseph said ²⁵ unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh is one: what God is about to do he hath declared unto Pharaoh. The seven good kine are seven ²⁶ years; and the seven good ears are seven years: the dream is one. And the seven lean ²⁷ and ill favoured kine that came up after them are seven years, and also the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind; they shall be seven years of famine. That is the thing which I ²⁸ spake unto Pharaoh: what God is about to do he hath shewed unto Pharaoh. Behold, there ²⁹ come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt: and there shall arise after ³⁰ them seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine shall consume the land; and the ³¹ plenty shall not be known in the land by reason

of that famine which followeth; for it shall be
 32 very grievous. And for that the dream was
 doubled unto Pharaoh twice, it is because the
 thing is established by God, and God will short-
 33 ly bring it to pass. Now therefore let Pharaoh
 look out a man discreet and wise, and set him
 34 over the land of Egypt. Let Pharaoh do *this*,
 and let him appoint overseers over the land,
 and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt
 35 in the seven plenteous years. And let them
 gather all the food of these good years that
 come, and lay up corn under the hand of
 Pharaoh for food in the cities, and let them
 36 keep it. And the food shall be for a store to
 the land against the seven years of famine,
 which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the
 37 land perish not through the famine. And the
 thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in
 38 the eyes of all his servants. And Pharaoh said
 unto his servants, Can we find such a one as
 39 this, a man in whom the spirit of God is? And
 Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God
 hath shewed thee all this, there is none so
 40 discreet and wise as thou: thou shalt be over
 my house, and according unto thy word shall
 all my people ¹be ruled: only in the throne will
 41 I be greater than thou. And Pharaoh said
 unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the
 42 land of Egypt. And Pharaoh took off his signet
 ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's
 hand, and arrayed him in vestures of ²fine linen,
 43 and put a gold chain about his neck; and he
 made him to ride in the second chariot which
 he had; and they cried before him, ³Bow the
 knee: and he set him over all the land of Egypt.
 44 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I am Pharaoh,
 and without thee shall no man lift up his hand
 45 or his foot in all the land of Egypt. And

¹ Or, *order themselves*
 Or, *do homage*

² Or, *cotton*

³ *Abrech*,
 probably an
 Egyptian
 word, similar
 in sound to
 the Hebrew
 word meaning
 to kneel.

Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphenath-pa-
 neah; and he gave him to wife Asenath the
 daughter of Poti-phaera priest of On. And
 Joseph went out over the land of Egypt. And ⁴⁶
 Joseph was thirty years old when he stood be-
 fore Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went
 out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went
 throughout all the land of Egypt. And in the ⁴⁷
 seven plenteous years the earth brought forth
 by handfuls. And he gathered up all the food ⁴⁸
 of the seven years which were in the land of
 Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities: the
 food of the field, which was round about every
 city, laid he up in the same. And Joseph laid ⁴⁹
 up corn as the sand of the sea, very much, until
 he left numbering; for it was without number.
 And unto Joseph were born two sons before the ⁵⁰
 year of famine came, which Asenath the daughter
 of Poti-phaera priest of On bare unto him. And ⁵¹
 Joseph called the name of the firstborn ¹Ma-
 nasseh: For, *said he*, God hath made me forget
 all my toil, and all my father's house. And the ⁵²
 name of the second called he ²Ephraim: For
 God hath made me fruitful in the land of my
 affliction. And the seven years of plenty, that ⁵³
 was in the land of Egypt, came to an end.
 And the seven years of famine began to come, ⁵⁴
 according as Joseph had said: and there was
 famine in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt
 there was bread. And when all the land of ⁵⁵
 Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pha-
 raoh for bread: and Pharaoh said unto all the
 Egyptians, Go unto Joseph; what he saith to
 you, do. And the famine was over all the face ⁵⁶
 of the earth: and Joseph opened all the store-
 houses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the
 famine was sore in the land of Egypt. And all ⁵⁷
 countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy

¹ That is,
*Making to
 forget.*

² From a
 Hebrew word
 signifying *to
 be fruitful.*

corn; because the famine was sore in all the earth.

- 42 ¹ Now Jacob saw that there was corn in Egypt, and Jacob said unto his sons, Why do
² ye look one upon another? And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Egypt: get you down thither, and buy for us from
³ thence; that we may live, and not die. And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy corn
⁴ from Egypt. But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said,
⁵ Lest peradventure mischief befall him. And the sons of Israel came to buy among those that came: for the famine was in the land of
⁶ Canaan. And Joseph was the governor over the land; he it was that sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and bowed down themselves to him with their faces
⁷ to the earth. And Joseph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself strange unto them, and spake roughly with them; and he said unto them, Whence come ye? And they said, From the land of Canaan to buy
⁸ food. And Joseph knew his brethren, but they
⁹ knew not him. And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said unto them, Ye are spies; to see the nakedness
¹⁰ of the land ye are come. And they said unto him, Nay, my lord, but to buy food are thy
¹¹ servants come. We are all one man's sons; we are true men, thy servants are no spies.
¹² And he said unto them, Nay, but to see the
¹³ nakedness of the land ye are come. And they said, We thy servants are twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan; and, behold, the youngest is this day with our father,
¹⁴ and one is not. And Joseph said unto them, That is it that I spake unto you, saying, Ye are

spies : hereby ye shall be proved : by the life ¹⁵
of Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except
your youngest brother come hither. Send one ¹⁶
of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye
shall be bound, that your words may be proved,
whether there be truth in you : or else by the
life of Pharaoh surely ye are spies. And he ¹⁷
put them all together into ward three days.
And Joseph said unto them the third day, This ¹⁸
do, and live ; for I fear God : if ye be true men, ¹⁹
let one of your brethren be bound in your
prison house ; but go ye, carry corn for the
famine of your houses : and bring your young- ²⁰
est brother unto me ; so shall your words be
verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so.
And they said one to another, We are verily ²¹
guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw
the distress of his soul, when he besought us,
and we would not hear ; therefore is this dis-
tress come upon us. And Reuben answered ²²
them, saying, Spake I not unto you, saying,
Do not sin against the child ; and ye would not
hear ? therefore also, behold, his blood is re-
quired. And they knew not that Joseph un- ²³
derstood them ; for there was an interpreter
between them. And he turned himself about ²⁴
from them, and wept ; and he returned to
them, and spake to them, and took Simeon
from among them, and bound him before
their eyes. Then Joseph commanded to fill ²⁵
their vessels with corn, and to restore every
man's money into his sack, and to give them
provision for the way : and thus was it done
unto them. And they laded their asses with ²⁶
their corn, and departed thence. And as one ²⁷
of them opened his sack to give his ass pro-
vender in the lodging place, he espied his
money ; and, behold, it was in the mouth of

28 his sack. And he said unto his brethren, My
 money is restored; and, lo, it is even in my
 sack: and their heart failed them, and they
 turned trembling one to another, saying, What
 29 is this that God hath done unto us? And they
 came unto Jacob their father unto the land of
 Canaan, and told him all that had befallen
 30 them; saying, The man, the lord of the land,
 spake roughly with us, and took us for spies of
 31 the country. And we said unto him, We are
 32 true men; we are no spies: we be twelve
 brethren, sons of our father; one is not, and
 the youngest is this day with our father in the
 33 land of Canaan. And the man, the lord of the
 land, said unto us, Hereby shall I know that ye
 are true men; leave one of your brethren with
 me, and take *corn for* the famine of your houses,
 34 and go your way: and bring your youngest
 brother unto me: then shall I know that ye are
 no spies, but that ye are true men: so will I
 deliver you your brother, and ye shall traffick
 35 in the land. And it came to pass as they
 emptied their sacks, that, behold, every man's
 bundle of money was in his sack: and when
 they and their father saw their bundles of
 36 money, they were afraid. And Jacob their father
 said unto them, Me have ye bereaved of my
 children: Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and
 ye will take Benjamin away: all these things
 37 are ¹against me. And Reuben spake unto his
 father, saying, Slay my two sons, if I bring him
 not to thee: deliver him into my hand, and I
 38 will bring him to thee again. And he said, My
 son shall not go down with you; for his brother
 is dead, and he only is left: if mischief befall
 him by the way in the which ye go, then shall
 ye bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to ²the
 grave.

¹ Or, *upon*
² Heb. *Sheol*.
 See ch.
 xxxvii. 35.

And the famine was sore in the land. And ^{1, 2} **43**
it came to pass, when they had eaten up the
corn which they had brought out of Egypt,
their father said unto them, Go again, buy us a
little food. And Judah spake unto him, saying, ³
The man did solemnly protest unto us, saying,
Ye shall not see my face, except your brother
be with you. If thou wilt send our brother ⁴
with us, we will go down and buy thee food:
but if thou wilt not send him, we will not go ⁵
down: for the man said unto us, Ye shall not
see my face, except your brother be with you.
And Israel said, Wherefore dealt ye so ill with ⁶
me, as to tell the man whether ye had yet a
brother? And they said, The man asked straitly ⁷
concerning ourselves, and concerning our kind-
red, saying, Is your father yet alive? have ye
another brother? and we told him according to
the tenor of these words: could we in any wise
know that he would say, Bring your brother
down? And Judah said unto Israel his father, ⁸
Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go;
that we may live, and not die, both we, and
thou, and also our little ones. I will be surety ⁹
for him; of my hand shalt thou require him:
if I bring him not unto thee, and set him be-
fore thee, then ¹let me bear the blame for
ever: for except we had lingered, surely we had ¹⁰
now returned a second time. And their father ¹¹
Israel said unto them, If it be so now, do this;
take of the choice fruits of the land in your
vessels, and carry down the man a present, a
little ²balm, and a little honey, spicery and
myrrh, ³nuts, and almonds: and take double ¹²
money in your hand; and the money that
was returned in the mouth of your sacks carry
again in your hand; peradventure it was an
oversight: take also your brother, and arise, ¹³

¹ Heb. *I shall have sinned against thee for ever.*

² See ch. xxxvii. 25.

³ That is, *pistachio nuts.*

14 go again unto the man : and ¹God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may release unto you your other brother and Benjamin. And if I be bereaved of my children, I am bereaved.

¹ Heb. *El Shaddai.*

15 And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin ; and rose up, and went down to Egypt, 16 and stood before Joseph. And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the steward of his house, Bring the men into the house, and slay, and make ready ; for the men shall 17 dine with me at noon. And the man did as Joseph bade ; and the man brought the men 18 into Joseph's house. And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's house ; and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought in ; that he may ²seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen,

² Heb. *roll himself upon us.*

19 and our asses. And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they spake unto 20 him at the door of the house, and said, Oh my lord, we came indeed down at the first time to 21 buy food : and it came to pass, when we came to the lodging place, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, every man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight : and we have brought it again in our hand. 22 And other money have we brought down in our hand to buy food : we know not who put 23 our money in our sacks. And he said, Peace be to you, fear not : your God, and the God of your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks : I had your money. And he brought 24 Simeon out unto them. And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet ; and he

gave their asses provender. And they made ²⁵
 ready the present against Joseph came at noon :
 for they heard that they should eat bread there.
 And when Joseph came home, they brought ²⁶
 him the present which was in their hand into
 the house, and bowed down themselves to him
 to the earth. And he asked them of their ²⁷
 welfare, and said, Is your father well, the old
 man of whom ye spake? Is he yet alive?
 And they said, Thy servant our father is well, ²⁸
 he is yet alive. And they bowed the head,
 and made obeisance. And he lifted up his eyes, ²⁹
 and saw Benjamin his brother, his mother's
 son, and said, Is this your youngest brother,
 of whom ye spake unto me? And he said,
 God be gracious unto thee, my son. And ³⁰
 Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn
 upon his brother: and he sought where to weep;
 and he entered into his chamber, and wept there.
 And he washed his face, and came out; and he ³¹
 refrained himself, and said, Set on bread. And ³²
 they set on for him by himself, and for them by
 themselves, and for the Egyptians, which did
 eat with him, by themselves: because the Egypt-
 ians might not eat bread with the Hebrews;
 for that is an abomination unto the Egyptians.
 And they sat before him, the firstborn according ³³
 to his birthright, and the youngest according to
 his youth: and the men marvelled one with
 another. And ¹he took *and sent* messes unto ³⁴
 them from before him: but Benjamin's mess
 was five times so much as any of theirs. And
 they drank, and ²were merry with him.

¹ Or, *messes*
were taken

² Heb. *drank*
largely.

And he commanded the steward of his house, ¹ **44**
 saying, Fill the men's sacks with food, as much
 as they can carry, and put every man's money in
 his sack's mouth. And put my cup, the silver ²
 cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, and his

corn money. And he did according to the word
3 that Joseph had spoken. As soon as the morn-
ing was light, the men were sent away, they and
4 their asses. *And* when they were gone out of
the city, and were not yet far off, Joseph said
unto his steward, Up, follow after the men; and
when thou dost overtake them, say unto them,
5 Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for good? Is
not this it in which my lord drinketh, and
whereby he indeed divineth? ye have done
6 evil in so doing. And he overtook them, and
7 he spake unto them these words. And they
said unto him, Wherefore speaketh my lord such
words as these? God forbid that thy servants
8 should do such a thing. Behold, the money,
which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought
again unto thee out of the land of Canaan:
how then should we steal out of thy lord's house
9 silver or gold? With whomsoever of thy serv-
ants it be found, let him die, and we also will
10 be my lord's bondmen. And he said, Now
also let it be according unto your words: he
with whom it is found shall be my bondman;
11 and ye shall be blameless. Then they hasted,
and took down every man his sack to the
12 ground, and opened every man his sack. And
he searched, *and* began at the eldest, and left
at the youngest: and the cup was found in
13 Benjamin's sack. Then they rent their clothes,
and laded every man his ass, and returned to
14 the city. And Judah and his brethren came to
Joseph's house; and he was yet there: and
15 they fell before him on the ground. And Joseph
said unto them, What deed is this that ye have
done? know ye not that such a man as I can
16 indeed divine? And Judah said, What shall we
say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or
how shall we clear ourselves? God hath found

out the iniquity of thy servants: behold, we are my lord's bondmen, both we, and he also in whose hand the cup is found. And he said, ¹⁷ God forbid that I should do so: the man in whose hand the cup is found, he shall be my bondman; but as for you, get you up in peace unto your father.

Then Judah came near unto him, and said, ¹⁸ Oh my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou art even as Pharaoh. My lord asked his servants, ¹⁹ saying, Have ye a father, or a brother? And ²⁰ we said unto my lord, We have a father, an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loveth him. And ²¹ thou saidst unto thy servants, Bring him down unto me, that I may set mine eyes upon him. And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot ²² leave his father: for if he should leave his father, his father would die. And thou saidst ²³ unto thy servants, Except your youngest brother come down with you, ye shall see my face no more. And it came to pass when we came up ²⁴ unto thy servant my father, we told him the words of my lord. And our father said, Go ²⁵ again, buy us a little food. And we said, We ²⁶ cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother be with us. And thy servant my father said ²⁷ unto us, Ye know that my wife bare me two sons: and the one went out from me, and I ²⁸ said, Surely he is torn in pieces; and I have not seen him since: and if ye take this one also ²⁹ from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down my gray hairs with ¹sorrow to ²the grave.

¹ Heb. *evil*.

² Heb. *Sheol*.
See ch.
xxxvii. 35.

30 Now therefore when I come to thy servant my
 father, and the lad be not with us; seeing that
 31 ¹his life is bound up in the lad's life; it shall
 come to pass, when he seeth that the lad is not
with us, that he will die: and thy servants shall
 bring down the gray hairs of thy servant our
 32 father with sorrow to ²the grave. For thy serv-
 ant became surety for the lad unto my father,
 saying, If I bring him not unto thee, then shall
 33 I bear the blame to my father for ever. Now
 therefore, let thy servant, I pray thee, abide
 instead of the lad a bondman to my lord; and
 34 let the lad go up with his brethren. For how
 shall I go up to my father, and the lad be not
 with me? lest I see the evil that shall come
 on my father.

¹ Or, *his soul*
is knit with
the lad's soul
 See 1 Sam.
 xviii. 1.

² Heb. *Sheol*.
 See ch.
 xxxvii. 35.

45 ¹ Then Joseph could not refrain himself be-
 fore all them that stood by him; and he cried,
 Cause every man to go out from me. And
 there stood no man with him, while Joseph
 2 made himself known unto his brethren. And
 he ³wept aloud: and the Egyptians heard, and
 3 the house of Pharaoh heard. And Joseph said
 unto his brethren, I am Joseph; doth my father
 yet live? And his brethren could not answer
 him; for they were troubled at his presence.
 4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near
 to me, I pray you. And they came near. And
 he said, I am Joseph your brother, whom ye
 5 sold into Egypt. And now be not grieved, nor
 angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither:
 for God did send me before you to preserve
 6 life. For these two years hath the famine been
 in the land: and there are yet five years, in
 the which there shall be neither plowing nor
 7 harvest. And God sent me before you to pre-
 serve you a remnant in the earth, and to save
 8 you alive ⁴by a great deliverance. So now it

³ Heb. *gave*
forth his voice
in weeping.

⁴ Or, *to be a*
great company
that escape

was not you that sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, tarry not: and thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou shalt be near unto me, thou, and thy children, and thy children's children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast: and there will I nourish thee; for there are yet five years of famine; lest thou come to poverty, thou, and thy household, and all that thou hast. And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that it is my mouth that speaketh unto you. And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye shall haste and bring down my father hither. And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him.

And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's brethren are come: and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants. And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan; and take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the fat of the land. Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come. Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt is yours. And the sons

of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons,
according to the commandment of Pharaoh,
22 and gave them provision for the way. To all
of them he gave each man changes of raiment;
but to Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces
23 of silver, and five changes of raiment. And
to his father he sent after this manner; ten
asses laden with the good things of Egypt, and
ten she-asses laden with corn and bread and
24 victual for his father by the way. So he sent
his brethren away, and they departed: and he
said unto them, See that ye fall not out by the
25 way. And they went up out of Egypt, and
came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their
26 father. And they told him, saying, Joseph is
yet alive, and he is ruler over all the land of
Egypt. And his heart fainted, for he believed
27 them not. And they told him all the words
of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and
when he saw the wagons which Joseph had
sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father
28 revived: and Israel said, It is enough; Joseph
my son is yet alive: I will go and see him
before I die.

46 1 And Israel took his journey with all that
he had, and came to Beer-sheba, and offered
sacrifices unto the God of his father Isaac.
2 And God spake unto Israel in the visions
of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he
3 said, Here am I. And he said, I am God,
the God of thy father: fear not to go down
into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a
4 great nation: I will go down with thee into
Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up
again: and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine
5 eyes. And Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba:
and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father,
and their little ones, and their wives, in the

wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him. And they took their cattle, and their goods, 6 which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him: his sons, and his sons' sons with him, 7 his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt.

And these are the names of the children of 8 Israel, which came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn. And the sons 9 of Reuben; Hanoah, and Pallu, and Hezron, and Carmi. And the sons of Simeon; ¹Jemuel, 10 and Jamin, and Ohad, and ²Jachin, and ³Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman. And the sons of Levi; ⁴Gershon, Kohath, and 11 Merari. And the sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, 12 and Shelah, and Perez, and Zerah: but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the sons of Perez were Hezron and Hamul. And 13 the sons of Issachar; Tola, and ⁵Puvah, and Iob, and Shimron. And the sons of Zebulun; 14 Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel. These are the 15 sons of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in Paddan-aram, with his daughter Dinah: all the souls of his sons and his daughters were thirty and three. And the sons of Gad; ⁶Ziphion, 16 and Haggi, Shuni, and ⁷Ezbon, Eri, and ⁸Arodi, and Areli. And the sons of Asher; Imnah, 17 and Ishvah, and Ishvi, and Beriah, and Serah their sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel. These are the sons of Zilpah, 18 which Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls. The sons of Rachel Jacob's wife; Joseph and 19 Benjamin. And unto Joseph in the land of 20 Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-phaera priest of On bare unto him. And the sons of Benjamin; 21

¹ In Num. xxvi. 12, 1 Chr. iv. 24, *Nemuel*.

² In 1 Chr. iv. 24, *Jarib*.

³ In Num. xxvi. 13, 1 Chr. iv. 24, *Zerah*.

⁴ In 1 Chr. vi. 16, *Gershom*.

⁵ In 1 Chr. vii. 1, *Puah*, *Jashub*. See Num. xxvi. 23, 24.

⁶ In Num. xxvi. 15, *Zephon*.

⁷ In Num. xxvi. 16, *Ozni*.

⁸ In Num. xxvi. 17, *Arod*.

Bela, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, ¹Ehi, and Rosh, ²Muppim, and ³Huphim,
 22 and Ard. These are the sons of Rachel, which were born to Jacob: all the souls were fourteen.

¹ In Num. xxvi. 38, *Ahiram*.

23, 24 And the sons of Dan; ⁴Hushim. And the sons of Naphtali; ⁵Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer,
 25 and ⁶Shillem. These are the sons of Bilhah,

² In Num. xxvi. 39, *Shephupham* in 1 Chr. vii. 12, *Shuphim*.

which Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob: all the souls

³ In Num. xxvi. 39, *Hupham*.

26 were seven. All the ⁷souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls were

⁴ In Num. xxvi. 42, *Shuham*.

27 threescore and six; and the sons of Joseph, which were born to him in Egypt, were two souls: all the souls of the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, were threescore and ten.

⁵ In 1 Chr. vii. 13, *Jahziel*.

28 And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, to shew the way before him unto Goshen; and

⁶ In 1 Chr. vii. 13, *Shallum*.

29 they came into the land of Goshen. And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen; and he presented himself unto him, and fell on his neck,

⁷ Or, *souls belonging to Jacob that came*

30 and wept on his neck a good while. And Israel said unto Joseph, Now let me die, since I have

31 seen thy face, that thou art yet alive. And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, I will go up, and tell Pharaoh,

32 are come unto me; and the men are shepherds, for they have been keepers of cattle; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and

33 all that they have. And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and shall say,

34 What is your occupation? that ye shall say, Thy servants have been keepers of cattle from our youth even until now, both we, and our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of Goshen;

for every shepherd is an abomination unto the Egyptians.

Then Joseph went in and told Pharaoh, and **1 47** said, My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they are in the land of Goshen. And **2** from among his brethren he took five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh. And Pharaoh **3** said unto his brethren, What is your occupation? And they said unto Pharaoh, Thy servants are shepherds, both we, and our fathers. And they **4** said unto Pharaoh, To sojourn in the land are we come; for there is no pasture for thy servants' flocks; for the famine is sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of Goshen. And **5** Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee: the **6** land of Egypt is before thee; in the best of the land make thy father and thy brethren to dwell; in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest any ¹able men among them, then make them rulers over my cattle. And **7** Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh. And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How many are **8** the days of the years of thy life? And Jacob **9** said unto Pharaoh, The days of the years of my ²pilgrimage are an hundred and thirty years: few and evil have been the days of the years of my life, and they have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their ²pilgrimage. And Jacob **10** blessed Pharaoh, and went out from the presence of Pharaoh. And Joseph placed his father **11** and his brethren, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land,

¹ Or, *men of activity*

² Or, *sojournings*

in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had com-
 12 manded. And Joseph nourished his father, and
 his brethren, and all his father's household, with
 bread, ¹according to their families.

¹ Or, according
 to the number
 of their little
 ones

13 And there was no bread in all the land; for
 the famine was very sore, so that the land of
 Egypt and the land of Canaan fainted by reason
 14 of the famine. And Joseph gathered up all the
 money that was found in the land of Egypt, and
 in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they
 bought: and Joseph brought the money into
 15 Pharaoh's house. And when the money was all
 spent in the land of Egypt, and in the land of
 Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph,
 and said, Give us bread: for why should we
 die in thy presence? for *our* money faileth.

16 And Joseph said, Give your cattle; and I will
 17 give you for your cattle, if money fail. And
 they brought their cattle unto Joseph: and
 Joseph gave them bread in exchange for the
 horses, and for the ²flocks, and for the herds, and
 for the asses: and he ³fed them with bread in

² Heb. cattle
 of the flocks,
 and for the
 cattle of the
 herds.

18 exchange for all their cattle for that year. And
 when that year was ended, they came unto him
 the second year, and said unto him, We will
 not hide from my lord, how that our money is
 all spent; and the herds of cattle are my lord's;
 there is nought left in the sight of my lord, but

³ Heb. led
 them as a
 shepherd.

19 our bodies, and our lands: wherefore should we
 die before thine eyes, both we and our land?
 buy us and our land for bread, and we and our
 land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give
 us seed, that we may live, and not die, and that
 20 the land be not desolate. So Joseph bought
 all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the
 Egyptians sold every man his field, because
 the famine was sore upon them: and the land
 21 became Pharaoh's. And as for the people, ⁴he

⁴ According to
 Samar., Sept.
 and Vulg., he
 made
 bondmen of
 them, from &c.

¹ Or,
*according to
their cities*

removed them ¹to the cities from one end of the border of Egypt even to the other end thereof. Only the land of the priests bought he not: ²² for the priests had a portion from Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them; wherefore they sold not their land. Then Joseph ²³ said unto the people, Behold, I have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: lo, here is seed for you, and ye shall sow the land. And it shall come to pass at the ingatherings, ²⁴ that ye shall give a fifth unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones. And they said, Thou hast saved our lives: let ²⁵ us find grace in the sight of my lord, and we will be Pharaoh's servants. And Joseph made ²⁶ it a statute concerning the land of Egypt unto this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth; only the land of the priests alone became not Pharaoh's. And Israel dwelt in the land ²⁷ of Egypt, in the land of Goshen; and they gat them possessions therein, and were fruitful, and multiplied exceedingly.

And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seven- ²⁸ teen years: so the days of Jacob, the years of his life, were an hundred forty and seven years. And the time drew near that Israel must die: ²⁹ and he called his son Joseph, and said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly with me; bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt: but when I sleep with my ³⁰ fathers, thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their buryingplace. And he said, I will do as thou hast said. And he said, Swear ³¹ unto me: and he sware unto him. And Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.

- 48 ¹ And it came to pass after these things, that one said to Joseph, Behold, thy father is sick : and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh ² and Ephraim. And one told Jacob, and said, Behold, thy son Joseph cometh unto thee : and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the ³ bed. And Jacob said unto Joseph, ¹ God Almighty appeared unto me at Luz in the land of ⁴ Canaan, and blessed me, and said unto me, Behold, I will make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a company of peoples ; and will give this land to thy seed after thee for ⁵ an everlasting possession. And now thy two sons, which were born unto thee in the land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, are mine ; Ephraim and Manasseh, even as Reuben ⁶ and Simeon, shall be mine. And thy issue, which thou ² begettest after them, shall be thine ; they shall be called after the name of their ⁷ brethren in their inheritance. And as for me, when I came from Paddan, Rachel died ³ by me in the land of Canaan in the way, when there was still some way to come unto Ephrath : and I buried her there in the way to Ephrath (the ⁸ same is Beth-lehem). And Israel beheld Joseph's ⁹ sons, and said, Who are these ? And Joseph said unto his father, They are my sons, whom God hath given me here. And he said, Bring them, I pray thee, unto me, and I will bless ¹⁰ them. Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, so that he could not see. And he brought them near unto him ; and he kissed them, and ¹¹ embraced them. And Israel said unto Joseph, I had not thought to see thy face : and, lo, God ¹² hath let me see thy seed also. And Joseph brought them out from between his knees ; and he bowed himself with his face to the earth. ¹³ And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his

¹ Heb. *El Shaddai*.

² Or, *hast begotten*

³ Or, *to my sorrow*

right hand toward Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought them near unto him. And ¹⁴ Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid it upon Ephraim's head, who was the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, ¹guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh was the firstborn. And he blessed Joseph, and said, ¹⁵ The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which hath fed me all my life long unto this day, the angel which ¹⁶ hath redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth. And when Joseph saw that his ¹⁷ father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head. And Joseph said unto ¹⁸ his father, Not so, my father: for this is the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head. And his father refused, and said, I know *it*, my ¹⁹ son, I know *it*: he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: howbeit his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become ²a multitude of nations. And he ²⁰ blessed them that day, saying, ³In thee shall Israel bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh. And Israel said unto Joseph, ²¹ Behold, I die: but God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers. Moreover I have given to thee one ⁴portion ²² above thy brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

And Jacob called unto his sons, and said: ¹ **49**
Gather yourselves together, that I may tell

¹ Or, *crossing*
his hands

² Heb. *fulness*.

³ Or, *By*

⁴ Or, *mountain slope*
Heb. *shechem*,
shoulder.

you that which shall befall you in the latter days.

2 Assemble yourselves, and hear, ye sons of Jacob ;

And hearken unto Israel your father.

3 Reuben, thou art my firstborn, my might, and the ¹beginning of my strength ;

¹ Or, *first-fruits*

The excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power.

4 ²Unstable as water, ³thou shalt not have the excellency ;

² Or, *Bubbling over*

Because thou wentest up to thy father's bed :

³ Or, *have not thou*

Then defiledst thou it: he went up to my couch.

5 Simeon and Levi are brethren ;

Weapons of violence are their ⁴swords.

⁴ Or, *compacts*

6 O my soul, come not thou into their ⁵council ;

⁵ Or, *secret*

Unto their assembly, my glory, be not thou united ;

For in their anger they slew ⁶a man,

⁶ Or, *men*

And in their selfwill they houghed ⁷an ox.

⁷ Or, *oxen*

7 Cursed be their anger, for it was fierce ;

And their wrath, for it was cruel :

I will divide them in Jacob,

And scatter them in Israel.

8 Judah, thee shall thy brethren praise :

Thy hand shall be on the neck of thine enemies ;

⁸ Or, *a law-giver*

Thy father's sons shall bow down before thee.

9 Judah is a lion's whelp ;

⁹ Or, *Till he come to Shiloh, having the obedience of the peoples*

From the prey, my son, thou art gone up :

He stooped down, he couched as a lion,

And as a lioness ; who shall rouse him up ?

Or, as read by the Sept., *Until that which is his shall come &c.*

10 The sceptre shall not depart from Judah,

Nor ⁸the ruler's staff from between his feet,

⁹Until Shiloh come ;

Another ancient rendering is, *Till he come whose it is &c.*

And unto him shall the obedience of the peoples be.

Binding his foal unto the vine, 11
 And his ass's colt unto the choice vine ;
 He hath washed his garments in wine,
 And his vesture in the blood of grapes :
 His eyes shall be red with wine, 12
 And his teeth white with milk.

¹ Heb. *beach*. Zebulun shall dwell at the ¹haven of the 13
 sea :

And he shall be for an ¹haven of ships ;
² Or, *by* And his border shall be ²upon Zidon.

Issachar is a strong ass, 14
 Couching down between the sheepfolds :
³ Or, *rest* And he saw ³a resting place that it was good, 15
 And the land that it was pleasant ;
 And he bowed his shoulder to bear,
 And became a servant under taskwork.

Dan shall judge his people, 16
 As one of the tribes of Israel.
 Dan shall be a serpent in the way, 17
⁴ Or, *horned snake* An ⁴adder in the path,
 That biteth the horse's heels,
 So that his rider falleth backward.

I have waited for thy salvation, O LORD. 18
 Gad, ⁵a troop ⁶shall press upon him : 19
 But he shall press upon their heel.

⁶ Heb. *gad*, to press. ⁷Out of Asher his bread shall be fat, 20
 And he shall yield royal dainties.

⁷ According to some ancient versions, *Asher, his bread &c.* Naphtali is a hind let loose : 21
 He giveth goodly words.

Joseph is ⁸a fruitful bough, 22
 A fruitful bough by a fountain ;
 His ⁹branches run over the wall.

The archers have sorely grieved him, 23
 And shot at him, and persecuted him :
 But his bow abode in strength, 24
 And the arms of his hands were made

¹⁰ Or, *active* ¹⁰strong,
 By the hands of the Mighty One of Jacob,

- (¹From thence is the shepherd, the stone of Israel,)
- 25 Even by the God of thy father, who shall help thee,
And by the Almighty, who shall bless thee,
With blessings of heaven above,
Blessings of the deep that coucheth beneath,
Blessings of the breasts, and of the womb.
- 26 The blessings of thy father
Have prevailed above ²the blessings of my progenitors
Unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills:
They shall be on the head of Joseph,
And on the crown of the head of him ³that was separate from his brethren.
- 27 Benjamin is a wolf that ravineth:
In the morning he shall devour the prey,
And at even he shall divide the spoil.
- 28 All these are the twelve tribes of Israel: and this is it that their father spake unto them and blessed them; every one according to his blessing he blessed them. And he charged them,
- 29 and said unto them, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite,
- 30 in the cave that is in the field of Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field from Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a buryingplace: there they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah
- 31 his wife; and there I buried Leah: the field and the cave that is therein, which was purchased from the children of Heth. And when Jacob made an end of charging his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people.
- ¹ Or, *From thence, from the shepherd*
Or, as otherwise read,
By the name of the shepherd
- ² According to some ancient authorities, *the blessings of the ancient mountains, the desire (or, desirable things) of the everlasting hills.*
- ³ Or, *that is prince among*

And Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept ¹ 50
 upon him, and kissed him. And Joseph com- ²
 manded his servants the physicians to embalm
 his father: and the physicians embalmed Israel.
 And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so ³
 are fulfilled the days of embalming: and the
 Egyptians wept for him threescore and ten
 days.

¹ Or, *bought*

And when the days of weeping for him were ⁴
 past, Joseph spake unto the house of Pharaoh,
 saying, If now I have found grace in your
 eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh,
 saying, My father made me swear, saying, Lo, ⁵
 I die: in my grave which I ¹ have digged for
 me in the land of Canaan, there shalt thou
 bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray
 thee, and bury my father, and I will come
 again. And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury ⁶
 thy father, according as he made thee swear.
 And Joseph went up to bury his father: and ⁷
 with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh,
 the elders of his house, and all the elders of
 the land of Egypt, and all the house of Joseph, ⁸
 and his brethren, and his father's house: only
 their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds,
 they left in the land of Goshen. And there ⁹
 went up with him both chariots and horsemen:
 and it was a very great company. And they ¹⁰
 came to the threshing-floor of Atad, which is
 beyond Jordan, and there they lamented with a
 very great and sore lamentation: and he made
 a mourning for his father seven days. And ¹¹
 when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaan-
 ites, saw the mourning in the floor of Atad, they
 said, This is a grievous ² mourning to the Egypt-
 ians: wherefore the name of it was called Abel-
 mizraim, which is beyond Jordan. And his ¹²
 sons did unto him according as he commanded

² Heb. *ebel*.

13 them : for his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the field, for a possession of a buryingplace, of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

14 And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury
15 his father, after he had buried his father. And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, It may be that Joseph will hate us, and will fully requite us all the evil which
16 we did unto him. And they sent a message unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did command
17 before he died, saying, So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the transgression of thy brethren, and their sin, for that they did unto thee evil : and now, we pray thee, forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept when
18 they spake unto him. And his brethren also went and fell down before his face ; and they
19 said, Behold, we be thy servants. And Joseph said unto them, Fear not : for am I in the place
20 of God ? And as for you, ye meant evil against me ; but God meant it for good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.
21 Now therefore fear ye not : I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake ¹kindly unto them.

¹ Heb. to
their heart.

22 And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house : and Joseph lived an hundred
23 and ten years. And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation: the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were born
24 upon Joseph's knees. And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die : but God will surely visit you, and bring you up out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac,

and to Jacob. And Joseph took an oath of the ²⁵
children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit
you, and ye shall carry up my bones from
hence. So Joseph died, being an hundred and ²⁶
ten years old : and they embalmed him, and he
was put in a coffin in Egypt.

THE SECOND BOOK OF MOSES,

COMMONLY CALLED

E X O D U S.

1 ¹ Now these are the names of the sons of Israel,
 which came into Egypt; every man and his
 2 household came with Jacob. Reuben, Simeon,
 3 Levi, and Judah; Issachar, Zebulun, and Ben-
 4 jamin; Dan and Naphtali, Gad and Asher.
 5 And all the souls that came out of the loins of
 Jacob were seventy souls: and Joseph was in
 6 Egypt already. And Joseph died, and all his
 7 brethren, and all that generation. And the
 children of Israel were fruitful, and increased
 abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed ex-
 ceeding mighty; and the land was filled with
 them.

8 Now there arose a new king over Egypt,
 9 which knew not Joseph. And he said unto his
 people, Behold, the people of the children of
 10 Israel are ¹more and mightier than we: come,
 let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply,
 and it come to pass, that, when there falleth
 out any war, they also join themselves unto our
 enemies, and fight against us, and get them up
 11 out of the land. Therefore they did set over
 them taskmasters to afflict them with their
 burdens. And they built for Pharaoh store
 12 cities, Pithom and Raamses. But the more

¹ Or, too many
 and too mighty
 for us

they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And they

¹ Or, *abhorred* ¹were grieved because of the children of Israel. And the Egyptians made the children of Israel ¹³ to serve with rigour: and they made their lives ¹⁴ bitter with hard service, in mortar and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field, all their service, wherein they made them serve with rigour.

And the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew ¹⁵ midwives, of which the name of the one was Shiprah, and the name of the other Puah: and he said, When ye do the office of a mid- ¹⁶ wife to the Hebrew women, and see them upon the birthstool; if it be a son, then ye shall kill him; but if it be a daughter, then she shall live. But the midwives feared God, and ¹⁷ did not as the king of Egypt commanded them, but saved the men children alive. And ¹⁸ the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children alive? And the midwives said unto Pharaoh, Because ¹⁹ the Hebrew women are not as the Egyptian women; for they are lively, and are delivered ere the midwife come unto them. And God ²⁰ dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and waxed very mighty. And it ²¹ came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that he made them houses. And Pharaoh ²² charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born ye shall cast into ²the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive.

² See Gen. xli.
1.

And there went a man of the house of Levi, ¹ **2** and took to wife a daughter of Levi. And the ² woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months. And when she could ³

not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of ¹bulrushes, and daubed it with ²slime and with pitch; and she put the child therein, and
 4 laid it in the flags by the river's brink. And his sister stood afar off, to know what would
 5 be done to him. And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river side; and she saw the ark among the flags, and sent her
 6 handmaid to fetch it. And she opened it, and saw the child: and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said,
 7 This is one of the Hebrews' children. Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call thee a nurse of the Hebrew women,
 8 that she may nurse the child for thee? And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the
 9 maid went and called the child's mother. And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages. And the woman took the
 10 child, and nursed it. And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name
³Moses, and said, Because I ⁴drew him out of the water.

¹ That is, *papyrus*.

² That is, *bitumen*.

³ Heb. *Mosheh*.

⁴ Heb. *mashah*, to draw out.

11 And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown up, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he saw an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one
 12 of his brethren. And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he smote the Egyptian, and hid him in
 13 the sand. And he went out the second day, and, behold, two men of the Hebrews strove together: and he said to him that did the wrong, Wherefore smitest thou thy fellow?
 14 And he said, Who made thee a prince and a

judge over us? thinkest thou to kill me, as thou killedst the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely the thing is known. Now when ¹⁵ Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he sat down by a well. Now the priest of ¹⁶ Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. And the shepherds came ¹⁷ and drove them away: but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock. And ¹⁸ when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How is it that ye are come so soon to-day? And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out ¹⁹ of the hand of the shepherds, and moreover he drew water for us, and watered the flock. And he said unto his daughters, And where is ²⁰ he? why is it that ye have left the man? call him, that he may eat bread. And Moses was ²¹ content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter. And she bare ²² a son, and he called his name Gershom: for he said, I have been ¹a sojourner in a strange land.

¹ Heb. *Ger*.

And it came to pass in the course of those ²³ many days, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. And God ²⁴ heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. And God saw the children of Israel, ²⁵ and God took knowledge *of them*.

Now Moses was keeping the flock of Jethro ¹ **3** his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the back of the wilderness, and

came to the mountain of God, unto Horeb.
2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.
3 And Moses said, I will turn aside now, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses.
4 And he said, Here am I. And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground. Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look
5 upon God. And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;
6 and I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and
7 the Hivite, and the Jebusite. And now, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: moreover I have seen the oppression
8 wherewith the Egyptians oppress them. Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my
9 people the children of Israel out of Egypt. And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth
10 the children of Israel out of Egypt? And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this

shall be the token unto thee, that I have sent thee: when thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain. And Moses said unto God, Behold, ¹³ when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, ¹⁴ I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, ¹⁵ I AM hath sent me unto you. And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, ¹⁶ The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations. Go, and gather ¹⁷ the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, hath appeared unto me, saying, I have surely visited you, and *seen* that which is done to you in Egypt: and I have said, I will bring you up ¹⁸ out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, unto a land flowing with milk and honey. And they shall hearken to thy voice: and ¹⁹ thou shalt come, thou and the elders of Israel, unto the king of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him, The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, hath met with us: and now let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God. And I ²⁰ know that the king of Egypt will not give you leave to go, no, not by a mighty hand. And I will put forth my hand, and smite Egypt with

¹ Or, I AM,
BECAUSE I AM
Or, I AM WHO
AM

Or, I WILL BE
THAT I WILL
BE

² Or, I WILL BE
Heb. *Ehyeh*.

³ Heb. *Jehovah*, from the
same root as
Ehyeh.

all my wonders which I will do in the midst
21 thereof: and after that he will let you go. And
I will give this people favour in the sight of
the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that,
22 when ye go, ye shall not go empty: but every
woman shall ask of her neighbour, and of her
that sojourneth in her house, jewels of silver,
and jewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall
put them upon your sons, and upon your
daughters; and ye shall spoil the Egyptians.
4 1 And Moses answered and said, But, behold,
they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my
voice: for they will say, The LORD hath not
2 appeared unto thee. And the LORD said unto
him, What is that in thine hand? And he said,
3 A rod. And he said, Cast it on the ground.
And he cast it on the ground, and it became a
4 ¹serpent; and Moses fled from before it. And ¹ Heb. *nahash*.
the LORD said unto Moses, Put forth thine
hand, and take it by the tail: (and he put forth
his hand, and laid hold of it, and it became a
5 rod in his hand:) that they may believe that
the LORD, the God of their fathers, the God
of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God
6 of Jacob, hath appeared unto thee. And the
LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now thine
hand into thy bosom. And he put his hand into
his bosom: and when he took it out, behold,
7 his hand was leprous, as *white as snow*. And
he said, Put thine hand into thy bosom again.
(And he put his hand into his bosom again; and
when he took it out of his bosom, behold, it was
8 turned again as his *other* flesh.) And it shall
come to pass, if they will not believe thee,
neither hearken to the voice of the first sign,
that they will believe the voice of the latter
9 sign. And it shall come to pass, if they will
not believe even these two signs, neither

hearken unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land: and the water which thou takest out of the river shall become blood upon the dry land. And Moses said unto the LORD, Oh Lord, I ¹⁰ am not ¹eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: for I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue. And the ¹¹ LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh *a man* dumb, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? is it not I the LORD? Now ¹² therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt speak. And ¹³ he said, Oh Lord, send, I pray thee, by the hand of him whom thou wilt send. And the ¹⁴ anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and he said, Is there not Aaron thy brother the Levite? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he cometh forth to meet thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart. And thou shalt speak unto him, ¹⁵ and put the words in his mouth: and I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do. - And he shall be ¹⁶ thy spokesman unto the people: and it shall come to pass, that he shall be to thee a mouth, and thou shalt be to him as God. And thou ¹⁷ shalt take in thine hand this rod, wherewith thou shalt do the signs.

¹ Heb. *a man of words.*

² Heb. *Jether.* And Moses went and returned to ²Jethro his ¹⁸ father in law, and said unto him, Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace. And the LORD said unto Moses in Midian, Go, ¹⁹ return into Egypt: for all the men are dead which sought thy life. And Moses took his ²⁰ wife and his sons, and set them upon an ass,

- and he returned to the land of Egypt: and
 21 Moses took the rod of God in his hand. And
 the LORD said unto Moses, When thou goest
 back into Egypt, see that thou do before
 Pharaoh all the wonders which I have put in
 thine hand: but I will ¹harden his heart, and
 22 he will not let the people go. And thou shalt
 say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel
 23 is my son, my firstborn: and I have said unto
 thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me; and
 thou hast refused to let him go: behold, I will
 24 slay thy son, thy firstborn. And it came to
 pass on the way at the lodging place, that the
 25 LORD met him, and sought to kill him. Then
 Zipporah took a flint, and cut off the foreskin of
 her son, and ²cast it at his feet; and she said,
 Surely a bridegroom of blood art thou to me.
 26 So he let him alone. Then she said, ³A
 bridegroom of blood *art thou*, because of the
 circumcision.
 27 And the LORD said to Aaron, Go into the
 wilderness to meet Moses. And he went, and
 met him in the mountain of God, and kissed
 28 him. And Moses told Aaron all the words of
 the LORD wherewith he had sent him, and all
 29 the signs wherewith he had charged him. And
 Moses and Aaron went and gathered together
 30 all the elders of the children of Israel: and
 Aaron spake all the words which the LORD
 had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in
 31 the sight of the people. And the people be-
 lieved: and when they heard that the LORD had
 visited the children of Israel, and that he had
 seen their affliction, then they bowed their heads
 5 1 and worshipped. And afterward Moses and
 Aaron came, and said unto Pharaoh, Thus
 saith, the LORD, the God of Israel, Let my
 people go, that they may hold a feast unto me

¹ Heb. *make strong*.

² Heb. *made it touch*.

³ Or, *A bridegroom of blood in regard of the circum-*
cision

in the wilderness. And Pharaoh said, Who ² is the LORD, that I should hearken unto his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, and moreover I will not let Israel go. And ³ they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword. And the king ⁴ of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, loose the people from their works? get you unto your burdens. And Pha- ⁵ raoh said, Behold, the people of the land are now many, and ye make them rest from their burdens. And the same day Pharaoh com- ⁶ manded the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying, Ye shall no more give the ⁷ people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves. And ⁸ the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish aught thereof: for they be idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God. Let heavier work be laid upon ⁹ the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard lying words. And the task- ¹⁰ masters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw. Go your- ¹¹ selves, get you straw where ye can find it: for nought of your work shall be diminished. So the people were scattered abroad through- ¹² out all the land of Egypt to gather stubble for straw. And the taskmasters were urgent, ¹³ saying, Fulfil your works, *your* daily tasks, as when there was straw. And the officers ¹⁴ of the children of Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, ¹ and

¹ Heb. *saying*.

demanded, Wherefore have ye not fulfilled
 your task both yesterday and to-day, in making
 15 brick as heretofore? Then the officers of the
 children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh,
 saying, Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy
 16 servants? There is no straw given unto thy
 servants, and they say to us, Make brick: and,
 behold, thy servants are beaten; but the fault
 17 is in thine own people. But he said, Ye are
 idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, Let us go
 18 and sacrifice to the LORD. Go therefore now,
 and work; for there shall no straw be given
 you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.
 19 And the officers of the children of Israel did
 see that they ¹were in evil case, when it was
 said, Ye shall not minish aught from your
 20 bricks, *your* daily tasks. And they met Moses
 and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came
 21 forth from Pharaoh: and they said unto them,
 The LORD look upon you, and judge; because
 ye have made our savour to be abhorred in the
 eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants,
 22 to put a sword in their hand to slay us. And
 Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Lord,
 wherefore hast thou evil entreated this people?
 23 why is it that thou hast sent me? For since I
 came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath
 evil entreated this people; neither hast thou
 6 1 delivered thy people at all. And the LORD
 said unto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I
 will do to Pharaoh: for by a strong hand shall
 he let them go, and by a strong hand shall he
 drive them out of his land.
 2 And God spake unto Moses, and said unto
 3 him, I am JEHOVAH: and I appeared unto
 Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, as ²God
 Almighty, but ³by my name JEHOVAH I was
 4 not ⁴known to them. And I have also estab-

¹ Or, *were set
 on mischief,
 when they said*

² Heb. *El
 Shaddai.*

³ Or, *as to*

⁴ Or, *made
 known*

lished my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their sojournings, wherein they sojourned. And moreover ⁵ I have heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant. Where- ⁶ fore say unto the children of Israel, I am Jehovah, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgements: and I will take you to me for a ⁷ people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am Jehovah your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. And I will bring you in unto ⁸ the land, concerning which I lifted up my hand to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I am Jehovah. And Moses spake so unto the ⁹ children of Israel: but they hearkened not unto Moses for ¹anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage.

¹ Or,
impatience
Heb. *short-*
ness of spirit.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹⁰ Go in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that ¹¹ he let the children of Israel go out of his land. And Moses spake before the LORD, saying, ¹² Behold, the children of Israel have not hearkened unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who am of uncircumcised lips? And the LORD spake ¹³ unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt.

These are the heads of their fathers' houses: ¹⁴ the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel; Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these are the families of Reuben. And the sons ¹⁵

- of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these are the families of
- 16 Simeon. And these are the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari: and the years of the life of Levi were an hundred thirty and seven years.
- 17 The sons of Gershon; Libni and Shimei, according to their families. And the sons of Kohath; 18 Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel: and the years of the life of Kohath were an 19 hundred thirty and three years. And the sons of Merari; Mahli and Mushi. These are the families of the Levites according to their generations. And Amram took him Jochebed his 20 father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram were an hundred and thirty and seven years.
- 21 And the sons of Izhar; Korah, and Nepheg, 22 and Zichri. And the sons of Uzziel; Mishael, 23 and Elzaphan, and Sithri. And Aaron took him Elisheba, the daughter of Amminadab, the sister of Nahshon, to wife; and she bare him 24 Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. And the sons of Korah; Assir, and Elkanah, and Abi-asaph; these are the families of the Korahites.
- 25 And Eleazar Aaron's son took him one of the daughters of Putiel to wife; and she bare him Phinehas. These are the heads of the fathers' 26 *houses* of the Levites according to their families. These are that Aaron and Moses, to whom the LORD said, Bring out the children of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their hosts.
- 27 These are they which spake to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these are that Moses and Aaron.
- 28 And it came to pass on the day when the LORD spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt,

that the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I am ²⁹
 the LORD: speak thou unto Pharaoh king of
 Egypt all that I speak unto thee. And Moses ³⁰
 said before the LORD, Behold, I am of uncircum-
 cised lips, and how shall Pharaoh hearken unto
 me? And the LORD said unto Moses, See, I ¹ **7**
 have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron
 thy brother shall be thy prophet. Thou shalt ²
 speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy
 brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he let
 the children of Israel go out of his land. And ³
 I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my
 signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt.
 But Pharaoh will not hearken unto you, and ⁴
 I will lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth
 my hosts, my people the children of Israel, out
 of the land of Egypt by great judgements.
 And the Egyptians shall know that I am the ⁵
 LORD, when I stretch forth mine hand upon
 Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel
 from among them. And Moses and Aaron did ⁶
 so; as the LORD commanded them, so did they.
 And Moses was fourscore years old, and Aaron ⁷
 fourscore and three years old, when they spake
 unto Pharaoh.

And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto ⁸
 Aaron, saying, When Pharaoh shall speak unto ⁹
 you, saying, Shew a wonder for you: then
 thou shalt say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and
 cast it down before Pharaoh, that it become a ¹⁰
¹serpent. And Moses and Aaron went in unto
 Pharaoh, and they did so, as the LORD had
 commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod
 before Pharaoh and before his servants, and it
 became a serpent. Then Pharaoh also called ¹¹
 for the wise men and the sorcerers: and they
 also, the ²magicians of Egypt, did in like manner

¹ Heb. *tannin*,
 any large rep-
 tile; and so in
 vv. 10, 12.

² See Gen. xli.
 8.

- 12 with their ¹enchantments. For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. ¹ Or, *secret arts*
- 13 And Pharaoh's heart ²was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken. ² Heb. *was strong*.
- 14 And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart is ³stubborn, he refuseth to let the people go. ³ Heb. *heavy*.
- 15 Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water; and thou shalt stand by the river's brink to meet him; and the rod which was turned to a ⁴serpent shalt thou take in thine hand. ⁴ See ch. iv. 3.
- 16 And thou shalt say unto him, The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, hath sent me unto thee, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness; and, behold, hitherto thou hast not hearkened.
- 17 Thus saith the LORD, In this thou shalt know that I am the LORD: behold, I will smite with the rod that is in mine hand upon the waters which are in the river, and they shall be turned
- 18 to blood. And the fish that is in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians shall loathe to drink water from the
- 19 river. And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, over their ⁵streams, and over their pools, and over all their ponds of water, that they may become blood; and there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in
- 20 vessels of wood and in vessels of stone. And Moses and Aaron did so, as the LORD commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned
- 21 to blood. And the fish that was in the river

died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians could not drink water from the river; and the blood was throughout all the land of Egypt. And the magicians of Egypt did in like manner ²² with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart ¹was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken. And Pharaoh ²³ turned and went into his house, neither did he ²lay even this to heart. And all the Egyptians ²⁴ digged round about the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river. And seven days were fulfilled, ²⁵ after that the LORD had smitten the river.

¹ Heb. *was strong.*

² Heb. *set his heart even to this.*

[Ch. vii. 26 in Heb.]

And the LORD spake unto Moses, Go in unto ¹ **8** Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me. And if thou refuse to let them go, behold, ² I will smite all thy borders with frogs: and the ³ river shall swarm with frogs, which shall go up and come into thine house, and into thy bed-chamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneadingtroughs: and ⁴ the frogs shall come up both upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants. And the ⁵ LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth thine hand with thy rod over the rivers, over the ³streams, and over the pools, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt. And ⁶ Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt. And the magicians did ⁷ in like manner with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt. Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, ⁸ and said, Intreat the LORD, that he take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they may sacrifice

[Ch. viii. 1 in Heb.]

³ Or, *canals*

- 9 unto the LORD. And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Have thou this glory over me: against what time shall I intreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, that the frogs be destroyed from thee and thy houses, and remain in the river only? And he said, Against to-morrow. And he said, Be it according to thy word: that thou mayest know that there is none like unto the LORD our God. And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only.
- 12 And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto the LORD concerning the frogs ¹which he had brought upon Pharaoh. ¹ Or, as he had appointed unto Pharaoh
- 13 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs died out of the houses, out of the courts, and out of the fields. And they gathered them together in heaps: and the land stank. But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he ²hardened his heart, and hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken. ² Heb. made heavy.
- 16 And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the earth, that it may become ³lice throughout all the land of Egypt. And they did so; and Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and there were lice upon man, and upon beast; all the dust of the earth became lice throughout all the land of Egypt. And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: and there were lice upon man, and upon beast. Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart ⁴was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken. ³ Or, sand flies Or, fleas ⁴ Heb. was strong.

And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up ²⁰
early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh;
lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto
him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go,
that they may serve me. Else, if thou wilt ²¹
not let my people go, behold, I will send
swarms of flies upon thee, and upon thy
servants, and upon thy people, and into thy
houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall
be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground
whereon they are. And I will sever in that ²²
day the land of Goshen, in which my people
dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there;
to the end thou mayest know that I am the
LORD in the midst of the earth. And I will ¹put ²³
a division between my people and thy people:
by to-morrow shall this sign be. And the ²⁴
LORD did so; and there came grievous swarms
of flies into the house of Pharaoh, and into his
servants' houses: and in all the land of Egypt
the land was ²corrupted by reason of the swarms
of flies. And Pharaoh called for Moses and ²⁵
for Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your
God in the land. And Moses said, It is not ²⁶
meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice the abomin-
ation of the Egyptians to the LORD our God:
lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the
Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not
stone us? We will go three days' journey into ²⁷
the wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our
God, as he shall command us. And Pharaoh ²⁸
said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to
the LORD your God in the wilderness; only ye
shall not go very far away: intreat for me.
And Moses said, Behold, I go out from thee, ²⁹
and I will intreat the LORD that the swarms of
flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his serv-
ants, and from his people, to-morrow: only

¹ Or, *set a sign*
of *deliverance*
Heb. *set re-*
demption.

² Or, *destroyed*

let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the
30 LORD. And Moses went out from Pharaoh,
31 and intreated the LORD. And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there re-
32 mained not one. And Pharaoh ¹hardened his heart this time also, and he did not let the people go. ¹ Heb. *made heavy.*

9 1 Then the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD, the God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, 2 that they may serve me. For if thou refuse 3 to let them go, and wilt hold them still, behold, the hand of the LORD is upon thy cattle which is in the field, upon the horses, upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the herds, and upon the flocks: *there shall be* a very grievous murrain.
4 And the LORD shall sever between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt: and there shall nothing die of all that belongeth to the children 5 of Israel. And the LORD appointed a set time, saying, To-morrow the LORD shall do this thing 6 in the land. And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the cattle of the children of Israel died 7 not one. And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not so much as one of the cattle of the Israelites dead. But the heart of Pharaoh was ²stubborn, and he did not let the people go. ² Heb. *heavy.*
8 And the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ³ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the 9 heaven in the sight of Pharaoh. And it shall become small dust over all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth with blains ³ Or, *soot*

¹ Heb. *made strong.*

upon man and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt. And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth with blains upon man and upon beast. And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boils were upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians. And the LORD ¹hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken unto Moses.

And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, the God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me. For I will this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that there is none like me in all the earth. For now I had put forth my hand, and smitten thee and thy people with pestilence, and thou hadst been cut off from the earth: but in very deed for this cause have I made thee to stand, for to shew thee my power, and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth. As yet exaltest thou thyself against my people, that thou wilt not let them go? Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the day it was founded even until now. Now therefore send, hasten in thy cattle and all that thou hast in the field; *for* every man and beast which shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die. He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses: and he that regarded

not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.

- 22 And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt. And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the LORD sent thunder and hail, and fire ran down unto the earth; and the LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt. So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as had not been in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that was in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field. Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail.
- 27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time: the LORD is righteous, and I and my people are wicked. Intreat the LORD; for there hath been enough of *these* ²mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer. And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto the LORD; the thunders shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know that the earth is the LORD'S. But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear the LORD God.
- 31 And the flax and the barley were smitten: for the barley was in the ear, and the flax ³was balled. But the wheat and the spelt were not smitten: for they were not grown up. And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands unto the LORD: and

¹ Or, *flashing continually amidst*

² Heb. *voices (or thunderings) of God.*

³ Or, *was in bloom*

the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth. And when Pharaoh ³⁴ saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and ¹hardened his heart, he and his servants. And the heart ³⁵ of Pharaoh ²was hardened, and he did not let the children of Israel go; as the LORD had spoken by Moses.

¹ Heb. *made heavy.*

² Heb. *was strong.*

And the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto ¹ 10 Pharaoh: for I have ¹hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might shew these my signs in the midst of them: and that ² thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, ³what things I have wrought upon Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know that I am the LORD. And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, ³ and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, the God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me. Else, if ⁴ thou refuse to let my people go, behold, to-morrow will I bring locusts into thy border: and they shall cover the face of the earth, that ⁵ one shall not be able to see the earth: and they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field: and thy houses shall be filled, and ⁶ the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; as neither thy fathers nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned, and went out from Pharaoh. And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How ⁷ long shall this man be a snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve the LORD their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is

³ Or, *how I have mocked the Egyptians*

- 8 destroyed? And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, Go, serve the LORD your God: but
9 who are they that shall go? And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we
10 must hold a feast unto the LORD. And he said unto them, So be the LORD with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look to it; for
11 evil is ¹before you. Not so: go now ye that are men, and serve the LORD; for that is what ye desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.
- 12 And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even
13 all that the hail hath left. And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the LORD brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all the night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts.
- 14 And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the borders of Egypt; very grievous were they; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them
15 shall be such. For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing, either tree or herb of the field, through all the land
16 of Egypt. Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you.
- 17 Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and intreat the LORD your God,

¹ Or, *what ye purpose*
Heb. *before your face.*

that he may take away from me this death only. And he went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD. And the LORD turned an exceeding strong west wind, which took up the locusts, and drove them into the Red Sea; there remained not one locust in all the border of Egypt. But the LORD ¹hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the children of Israel go.

¹ Heb. *made strong.*

And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, ²even darkness which may be felt. And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days; they saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings. And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go ye, serve the LORD; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you. And Moses said, Thou must also give into our hand sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the LORD our God. Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the LORD our God; and we know not with what we must serve the LORD, until we come thither. But the LORD ¹hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go. And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in the day thou seest my face thou shalt die. And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well; I will see thy face again no more.

² Or, *so that men shall grope in darkness*

And the LORD said unto Moses, Yet one

plague more will I bring upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence: ¹when he shall let you go, he shall
²surely thrust you out hence altogether. Speak now in the ears of the people, and let them ask every man of his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, jewels of silver, and jewels of
³gold. And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people.

⁴And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out into the midst of
⁵Egypt: and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the first-born of the maidservant that is behind the mill;
⁶and all the firstborn of cattle. And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there hath been none like it, nor shall
⁷be like it any more. But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog ²move his
tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference
⁸between the Egyptians and Israel. And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people that follow thee: and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in hot anger.

⁹And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh will not hearken unto you: that my wonders
¹⁰may be multiplied in the land of Egypt. And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the LORD ³hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

¹ Or, when he shall let you go altogether, he shall utterly thrust you out hence

² Heb. whet.

³ Heb. made strong.

And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron ¹ **12**
in the land of Egypt, saying, This month shall ²
be unto you the beginning of months: it shall
be the first month of the year to you. Speak ³
ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying,
In the tenth *day* of this month they shall take
to them every man a ¹lamb, according to their
fathers' houses, a lamb for an household: and ⁴
if the household be too little for a lamb, then
shall he and his neighbour next unto his house
take one according to the number of the souls;
according to every man's eating ye shall make
your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be ⁵
without blemish, a male of the first year: ye
shall take it from the sheep, or from the goats:
and ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day ⁶
of the same month: and the whole assembly of
the congregation of Israel shall kill it ²at even.
And they shall take of the blood, and put it ⁷
on the two side posts and on the lintel, upon
the houses wherein they shall eat it. And they ⁸
shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with
fire, and unleavened bread; with bitter herbs
they shall eat it. Eat not of it raw, nor sodden ⁹
at all with water, but roast with fire; its head
with its legs and with the inwards thereof.
And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the ¹⁰
morning; but that which remaineth of it until the
morning ye shall burn with fire. And thus shall ¹¹
ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on
your feet, and your staff in your hand: and ye
shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD's passover.
For I will go through the land of Egypt in that ¹²
night, and will smite all the firstborn in the
land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against
all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements:
I am the LORD. And the blood shall be to ¹³
you for a token upon the houses where ye are:

¹ Or, *kid*

² Heb. *between
the two even-
ings.*

and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and there shall no plague be upon you ¹to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt. ¹ Or, for a destroyer

- 14 And this day shall be unto you for a memorial, and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD: throughout your generations ye shall keep it a
15 feast by an ordinance for ever. Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that
16 soul shall be cut off from Israel. And in the first day there shall be to you an holy convocation, and in the seventh day an holy convocation; no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat,
17 that only may be done of you. And ye shall observe the *feast of* unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day throughout your generations
18 by an ordinance for ever. In the first *month*, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and
19 twentieth day of the month at even. Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a sojourner,
20 or one that is born in the land. Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.

- 21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, ²Draw out, and take ³ Or, Go forth you ³lambs according to your families, and kill ³ Or, kids
22 the passover. And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side

posts with the blood that is in the bason; and none of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. For the LORD ²³ will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you. And ²⁴ ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever. And it shall ²⁵ come to pass, when ye be come to the land which the LORD will give you, according as he hath promised, that ye shall keep this service. And it shall come to pass, when your children ²⁶ shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service? that ye shall say, It is the sacrifice ²⁷ of the LORD's passover, ¹who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped. And the children of Israel went ²⁸ and did so; as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

¹ Or, *for that he passed*

And it came to pass at midnight, that the ²⁹ LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, ³⁰ he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was not a house where there was not one dead. And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, ³¹ and said, Rise up, get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as ye have said. Take ³² both your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also. And ³³

the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, to send them out of the land in haste; for they
 34 said, We be all dead men. And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes
 35 upon their shoulders. And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they asked of the Egyptians jewels of silver,
 36 and jewels of gold, and raiment: and the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have what they asked. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

37 And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand
 38 on foot that were men, beside children. And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and
 39 flocks, and herds, even very much cattle. And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they
 40 prepared for themselves any victual. Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, which they sojourned in Egypt, was four hundred
 41 and thirty years. And it came to pass at the end of four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

42 It is ¹a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: ²this is that night of the LORD, to be much observed of all the children of Israel throughout their generations.

¹ Or, a night of watching unto the LORD

² Or, this same night is a night of watching unto the LORD for all &c.

43 And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, This is the ordinance of the passover: there
 44 shall no alien eat thereof: but every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou

hast circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof. A sojourner and an hired servant shall not eat 45 thereof. In one house shall it be eaten; thou 46 shalt not carry forth aught of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof. All the congregation of Israel shall 47
¹keep it. And when a stranger shall sojourn 48 with thee, and will keep the passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: but no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof. One law 49 shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you. Thus did 50 all the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. And 51 it came to pass the selfsame day, that the LORD did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their hosts.

¹ Heb. *do it.*

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **13** Sanctify unto me all the firstborn, whatsoever ² openeth the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and of beast: it is mine.

² Heb. *bondmen.*

And Moses said unto the people, Remember ³ this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of ²bondage; for by strength of hand the LORD brought you out from this place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten. This ⁴ day ye go forth in the month Abib. And it ⁵ shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this service in this month. Seven ⁶ days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh day shall be a feast to the LORD. Unleavened bread shall be eaten throughout the ⁷

seven days ; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven
 8 seen with thee, in all thy borders. And thou shalt tell thy son in that day, saying, It is because of that which the LORD did for me
 9 when I came forth out of Egypt. And it shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine eyes, that the law of the LORD may be in thy mouth : for with a strong hand hath the LORD brought thee
 10 out of Egypt. Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in its season from year to year.

11 And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanite, as he sware unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it
 12 thee, that thou shalt ¹set apart unto the LORD all that openeth the womb, and every firstling which thou hast that cometh of a beast ; the males
 13 shall be the LORD'S. And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a ²lamb ; and if
 thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break its neck : and all the firstborn of man among
 14 thy sons shalt thou redeem. And it shall be when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What is this ? that thou shalt say unto him, By strength of hand the LORD brought us
 15 out from Egypt, from the house of ³bondage : and it came to pass, when Pharaoh ⁴would hardly let us go, that the LORD slew all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man, and the firstborn of beast : therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all that openeth the womb, being males ; but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.
 16 And it shall be for a sign upon thine hand, and for frontlets between thine eyes : for by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt.

¹ Heb. *cause to pass over.*

² Or, *kid*

³ Heb. *bond-men.*

⁴ Or, *hardened himself against letting us go*

And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let ¹⁷ the people go, that God led them not by the way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt: but God led the people ¹⁸ about, by the way of the wilderness by the Red Sea: and the children of Israel went up armed out of the land of Egypt. And Moses ¹⁹ took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you. And they ²⁰ took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness. And ²¹ the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; that they might go by day and by night: ²² the pillar of cloud by day, and the pillar of fire by night, departed not from before the people.

¹ Or, he took not away the pillar of cloud by day, nor the &c.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **14** Speak unto the children of Israel, that they ² turn back and encamp before Pi-hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, before Baal-zephon: over against it shall ye encamp by the sea. And Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, ³ They are entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in. And I will ⁴ ²harden Pharaoh's heart, and he shall follow after them; and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; and the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD. And they did so. And ⁵ it was told the king of Egypt that the people were fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was changed towards the people, and they said, What is this we have done, that we have let Israel go from serving us? And ⁶

² Heb. make strong.

- he made ready his ¹chariot, and took his people
7 with him: and he took six hundred chosen
chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and cap-
8 tains over all of them. And the LORD ²hard-
ened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and
he pursued after the children of Israel: for the
children of Israel went out with an high hand.
9 And the Egyptians pursued after them, all the
horses *and* chariots of Pharaoh, and his horse-
men, and his army, and overtook them encamp-
ing by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-
10 zephon. And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the
children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, be-
hold, the Egyptians marched after them; and
they were sore afraid: and the children of
11 Israel cried out unto the LORD. And they said
unto Moses, Because there were no graves in
Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the
wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with
12 us, to bring us forth out of Egypt? Is not this
the word that we spake unto thee in Egypt,
saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the
Egyptians? For it were better for us to serve
the Egyptians, than that we should die in the
13 wilderness. And Moses said unto the people,
Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of
the LORD, which he will work for you to-day:
³for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to-day, ye
14 shall see them again no more for ever. The
LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your
peace.
15 And the LORD said unto Moses, Wherefore
criest thou unto me? speak unto the children
16 of Israel, that they go forward. And lift thou
up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over
the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel
shall go into the midst of the sea on dry ground.
17 And I, behold, I will ⁴harden the hearts of the

¹ Or, *chariots*

² Heb. *made strong.*

³ Or, *for whereas ye have seen the Egyptians to-day*

⁴ Heb. *make strong.*

Egyptians, and they shall go in after them : and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen. And the Egyptians shall know ¹⁸ that I am the LORD, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen. And the angel of God, ¹⁹ which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them ; and the pillar of cloud removed from before them, and stood behind them : and it came between the camp of Egypt ²⁰ and the camp of Israel ; and there was the cloud and the darkness, yet gave it light by night : and the one came not near the other all the night. And Moses stretched out his hand ²¹ over the sea ; and the LORD caused the sea to go *back* by a strong east wind all the night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. And the children of Israel went into ²² the midst of the sea upon the dry ground : and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left. And the Egyptians ²³ pursued, and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. And it came to pass in the ²⁴ morning watch, that the LORD looked forth upon the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of cloud, and discomfited the host of the Egyptians. And he ¹took off their ²⁵ chariot wheels, ²that they drave them heavily : so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel ; for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.

¹ Some ancient versions read, *bound*.

² Or, *and made them to drive*

And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch ²⁶ out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen. And Moses ²⁷ stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the

sea returned to its ¹strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the LORD ²overthrew the Egyptians in the
 28 midst of the sea. And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, even all the host of Pharaoh that went in after them into the sea; there remained not so much
 29 as one of them. But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their
 30 right hand, and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead
 31 upon the sea shore. And Israel saw the great ³work which the LORD did upon the Egyptians, ³ Heb. *hand*. and the people feared the LORD: and they believed in the LORD, and in his servant Moses.

15 1 Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying,

I will sing unto the LORD, for he ⁴hath triumphed gloriously: ⁴ Or, *is highly exalted*

The horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

2 ⁵The LORD is my strength and song, ⁵ Heb. *fah*.
 And he is become my salvation:

This is my God, and I will praise him;
 My father's God, and I will exalt him.

3 The LORD is a man of war:
 The LORD is his name.

4 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea:
 And his chosen captains are sunk in the Red Sea.

5 The deeps cover them:
 They went down into the depths like a stone.

6 Thy right hand, O LORD, is glorious in power,

Thy right hand, O LORD, dasheth in pieces
the enemy.

And in the greatness of thine excellency thou 7
overthrowest them that rise up against thee:
Thou sendest forth thy wrath, it consumeth
them as stubble.

And with the blast of thy nostrils the waters 8
were piled up,

The floods stood upright as an heap ;

The deeps were congealed in the heart of
the sea.

The enemy said,

I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the 9
spoil :

My lust shall be satisfied upon them ;

I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy
them.

Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea 10
covered them :

They sank as lead in the mighty waters.

Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the 11
gods ?

Who is like thee, glorious in holiness,

Fearful in praises, doing wonders ?

Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, 12

The earth swallowed them.

Thou in thy mercy hast led the people which 13
thou hast redeemed :

Thou hast guided them in thy strength to thy
holy habitation.

The peoples have heard, they tremble : 14

Pangs have taken hold on the inhabitants of
Philistia.

Then were the dukes of Edom amazed ; 15

The ¹mighty men of Moab, trembling taketh
hold upon them :

All the inhabitants of Canaan are melted away.

Terror and dread falleth upon them ; 16

¹ Heb. *rams*.

- By the greatness of thine arm they are as still
as a stone ;
Till thy people pass over, O LORD,
Till the people pass over which thou hast
¹purchased. ¹ Heb. *gotten.*
- 17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in
the mountain of thine inheritance,
The place, O LORD, which thou hast made for
thee to dwell in,
The sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have
established.
- 18 The LORD shall reign for ever and ever.
- 19 For the horses of Pharaoh went in with
his chariots and with his horsemen into the
sea, and the LORD brought again the waters of
the sea upon them ; but the children of Israel
walked on dry land in the midst of the sea.
- 20 And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron,
took a timbrel in her hand ; and all the women
went out after her with timbrels and with
- 21 dances. And Miriam answered them,
Sing ye to the LORD, for he ²hath triumphed ² Or, *is highly*
gloriously ; *exalted*
The horse and his rider hath he thrown into
the sea.
- 22 And Moses led Israel onward from the Red
Sea, and they went out into the wilderness of
Shur ; and they went three days in the wilder-
- 23 ness, and found no water. And when they
came to Marah, they could not drink of the
waters of Marah, for they were bitter : therefore
- 24 the name of it was called ³Marah. And the ³ That is,
people murmured against Moses, saying, What *Bitterness.*
25 shall we drink ? And he cried unto the LORD ;
and the LORD shewed him a tree, and he cast it
into the waters, and the waters were made
sweet. There he made for them a statute and

an ordinance, and there he proved them; and ²⁶ he said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his eyes, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases upon thee, which I have put upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee.

And they came to Elim, where were twelve ²⁷ springs of water, and threescore and ten palm trees: and they encamped there by the waters. And they took their journey from Elim, and all ¹ **16** the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt. And the whole congregation of the ² children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron in the wilderness: and the child- ³ ren of Israel said unto them, Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger. Then said ⁴ the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or no. And it shall come ⁵ to pass on the sixth day, that they shall prepare that which they bring in, and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily. And ⁶ Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, then ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt: and in the morning, then ye shall see ⁷ the glory of the LORD; for that he heareth

- your murmurings against the LORD: and what
 8 are we, that ye murmur against us? And Moses
 said, *This shall be*, when the LORD shall give
 you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the
 morning bread to the full; for that the LORD
 heareth your murmurings which ye murmur
 against him: and what are we? your murmur-
 ings are not against us, but against the LORD.
 9 And Moses said unto Aaron, Say unto all the
 congregation of the children of Israel, Come
 near before the LORD: for he hath heard your
 10 murmurings. And it came to pass, as Aaron
 spake unto the whole congregation of the
 children of Israel, that they looked toward the
 wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the LORD
 11 appeared in the cloud. And the LORD spake
 12 unto Moses, saying, I have heard the murmur-
 ings of the children of Israel: speak unto them,
 saying, ¹At even ye shall eat flesh, and in the
 morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye
 13 shall know that I am the LORD your God. And
 it came to pass at even, that the quails came up,
 and covered the camp: and in the morning the
 14 dew lay round about the camp. And when the
 dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face
 of the wilderness a small ²round thing, small as ²Or, *flake*
 15 the hoar frost on the ground. And when the
 children of Israel saw it, they said one to another,
³What is it? for they wist not what it was. And ³Or, *It is*
 Moses said unto them, It is the bread which the *manna*
 16 LORD hath given you to eat. This is the thing *Heb. Man hu.*
 which the LORD hath commanded, Gather ye of
 it every man according to his eating; an omer
 a head, according to the number of your persons,
 shall ye take it, every man for them which are
 17 in his tent. And the children of Israel did so,
 18 and gathered some more, some less. And when
 they did mete it with an omer, he that gathered

¹ Heb.
*Between the
 two evenings.*

² Or, *flake*

³ Or, *It is
 manna*
Heb. Man hu.

much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating. And Moses said unto ¹⁹ them, Let no man leave of it till the morning. Notwithstanding they hearkened not ²⁰ unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses was wroth with them. And they ²¹ gathered it morning by morning, every man according to his eating: and when the sun waxed hot, it melted. And it came to pass, that ²² on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for each one: and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. And he said unto them, This is that which ²³ the LORD hath spoken, To-morrow is a solemn rest, a holy sabbath unto the LORD: bake that which ye will bake, and seethe that which ye will seethe; and all that remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning. And they ²⁴ laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not stink, neither was there any worm therein. And Moses said, Eat that to-day; for ²⁵ to-day is a sabbath unto the LORD: to-day ye shall not find it in the field. Six days ye ²⁶ shall gather it; but on the seventh day is the sabbath, in it there shall be none. And it came ²⁷ to pass on the seventh day, that there went out some of the people for to gather, and they found none. And the LORD said unto Moses, ²⁸ How long refuse ye to keep my commandments and my laws? See, for that the LORD hath given ²⁹ you the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day. So the people ³⁰ rested on the seventh day. And the house of ³¹ Israel called the name thereof ¹Manna: and

¹ Heb. *Man*.

it was like coriander seed, white; and the taste
32 of it was like wafers *made* with honey. And
Moses said, This is the thing which the LORD
hath commanded, Let an omerful of it be
kept for your generations; that they may see
the bread wherewith I fed you in the wil-
derness, when I brought you forth from the
33 land of Egypt. And Moses said unto Aaron,
Take a pot, and put an omerful of manna
therein, and lay it up before the LORD, to be
34 kept for your generations. As the LORD com-
manded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the
35 Testimony, to be kept. And the children of
Israel did eat the manna forty years, until they
came to a land inhabited; they did eat the
manna, until they came unto the borders of the
36 land of Canaan. Now an omer is the tenth
part of an ephah.

17 ¹ And all the congregation of the children of
Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin,
by their ¹journeys, according to the command- ¹ Or, *stages*
ment of the LORD, and pitched in Rephidim:
and there was no water for the people to drink.
² Wherefore the people strove with Moses, and
said, Give us water that we may drink. And
Moses said unto them, Why strive ye with
³ me? wherefore do ye tempt the LORD? And
the people thirsted there for water; and the
people murmured against Moses, and said,
Wherefore hast thou brought us up out of
Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle
⁴ with thirst? And Moses cried unto the LORD,
saying, What shall I do unto this people? they
⁵ be almost ready to stone me. And the LORD
said unto Moses, Pass on before the people,
and take with thee of the elders of Israel; and
thy rod, wherewith thou smotest the river, take
⁶ in thine hand, and go. Behold, I will stand

before thee there upon the rock in Horeb; and thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place ⁷ ¹Massah, and ²Meribah, because of the striving of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the LORD, saying, Is the LORD among us, or not?

¹ That is, *Tempting*, or, *Proving*.

² That is, *Chiding*, or, *Strife*.

Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel ⁸ in Rephidim. And Moses said unto Joshua, ⁹ Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to-morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand. So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and ¹⁰ fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. And it ¹¹ came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands ¹² were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua ¹³ ³discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword. And the LORD said unto Moses, Write ¹⁴ this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: ⁴that I will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. And Moses built an altar, and called ¹⁵ the name of it ⁵Jehovah-nissi: and he said, ¹⁶ ⁶The LORD hath sworn: the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

³ Heb. *pros-trated*.

⁴ Or, *for*

⁵ That is, *The LORD is my banner*.

⁶ Or, *Because there is a hand against the throne of the LORD*

Heb. *A hand is lifted up upon the throne of Jah.*

Now Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' ¹ ¹⁸ father in law, heard of all that God had done

for Moses, and for Israel his people, how that the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt.
 2 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took Zipporah,
 3 Moses' wife, after he had sent her away, and her two sons; of which the name of the one was Gershom; for he said, I have been ¹a sojourner
 4 in a strange land: and the name of the other was ²Eliezer; for *he said*, The God of my father was my help, and delivered me from the
 5 sword of Pharaoh: and Jethro, Moses' father in law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the wilderness where he was encamped,
 6 at the mount of God: and he said unto Moses, I thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee,
 7 and thy wife, and her two sons with her. And Moses went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance, and kissed him; and they asked each other of their welfare; and they came
 8 into the tent. And Moses told his father in law all that the LORD had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, all the travail that had come upon them by the way,
 9 and how the LORD delivered them. And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the LORD had done to Israel, in that he had delivered
 10 them out of the hand of the Egyptians. And Jethro said, Blessed be the LORD, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh; who hath delivered the people from under the hand of
 11 the Egyptians. Now I know that the LORD is greater than all gods: yea, in the thing wherein
 12 they dealt proudly against them. And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses'
 13 father in law before God. And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge

¹ Heb. *Ger*.
 See ch. ii. 22.

² Heb.
El, God, and
ezer, help.

the people: and the people stood about Moses from the morning unto the evening. And when ¹⁴ Moses' father in law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What is this thing that thou doest to the people? why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the people stand about thee from morning unto even? And Moses said ¹⁵ unto his father in law, Because the people come unto me to inquire of God: when they have ¹⁶ a matter, they come unto me; and I judge between a man and his neighbour, and I make them know the statutes of God, and his laws. And Moses' father in law said unto him, The ¹⁷ thing that thou doest is not good. Thou wilt ¹⁸ surely wear away, both thou, and this people that is with thee: for the thing is too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone. Hearken now unto my voice, I ¹⁹ will give thee counsel, and God be with thee: be thou for the people to God-ward, and bring thou the causes unto God: and thou ²⁰ shalt teach them the statutes and the laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do. More- ²¹ over thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating unjust gain; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens: and let them ²² judge the people at all seasons: and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge themselves: so shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear *the burden* with thee. If thou shalt do this thing, and God command ²³ thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people also shall go to their place in peace. So Moses hearkened to the voice of ²⁴

his father in law, and did all that he had said.

25 And Moses chose able men out of all Israel,
and made them heads over the people, rulers
of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of
26 fifties, and rulers of tens. And they judged the
people at all seasons: the hard causes they
brought unto Moses, but every small matter
27 they judged themselves. And Moses let his
father in law depart; and he went his way into
his own land.

19 1 In the third month after the children of
Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt,
the same day came they into the wilderness
2 of Sinai. And when they were departed from
Rephidim, and were come to the wilderness of
Sinai, they pitched in the wilderness; and there
3 Israel camped before the mount. And Moses
went up unto God, and the LORD called unto
him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt
thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the
4 children of Israel; Ye have seen what I did
unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on
eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.
5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed,
and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a
peculiar treasure unto me ¹from among all
6 peoples: for all the earth is mine: and ye shall
be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy
nation. These are the words which thou shalt
7 speak unto the children of Israel. And Moses
came and called for the elders of the people,
and set before them all these words which the
8 LORD commanded him. And all the people
answered together, and said, All that the LORD
hath spoken we will do. And Moses reported
9 the words of the people unto the LORD. And
the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto
thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear

¹ Or, *above*

when I speak with thee, and may also believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of the people unto the LORD. And the LORD ¹⁰ said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them to-day and to-morrow, and let them wash their garments, and be ready against ¹¹ the third day: for the third day the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai. And thou shalt set bounds unto ¹² the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, that ye go not up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to death: no ¹³ hand shall touch ¹him, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether it be beast or man, it shall not live: when the ²trumpet soundeth long, they shall come up to the mount. And Moses went down from the mount unto ¹⁴ the people, and sanctified the people; and they washed their garments. And he said unto the ¹⁵ people, Be ready against the third day: come not near a woman. And it came to pass on ¹⁶ the third day, when it was morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of a trumpet exceeding loud; and all the people that were in the camp trembled. And Moses brought ¹⁷ forth the people out of the camp to meet God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount. And mount Sinai was altogether on smoke, ¹⁸ because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole ³mount quaked greatly. And when the voice of the trumpet ¹⁹ waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice. And the LORD ²⁰ came down upon mount Sinai, to the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses to

¹ Or, *it*² Or, *ram's horn*³ Some ancient authorities have, *people*.

the top of the mount; and Moses went up.

21 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish.

22 And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD, sanctify themselves, lest the LORD

23 break forth upon them. And Moses said unto the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou didst charge us, saying, Set

24 bounds about the mount, and sanctify it. And

the LORD said unto him, Go, get thee down; and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto the LORD, lest

25 he break forth upon them. So Moses went down unto the people, and told them.

20 1 And God spake all these words, saying,

2 I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of ¹bondage.

¹ Heb. *bond-men*.

3 Thou shalt have none other gods ²before me.

² Or, *beside me*

4 Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image, nor *the likeness of* any form that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath,

5 or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, upon the third and upon the fourth

6 generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto ³thousands, of them that love me and keep my commandments.

³ Or, *a thousand generations*

7 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God ⁴in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name ⁴in vain.

See Deut. vii.

8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

⁹ Or, *for vanity or falsehood*

9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

but the seventh day is a sabbath unto the LORD 10
thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work,
thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-
servant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor
thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six 11
days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea,
and all that in them is, and rested the seventh
day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath
day, and hallowed it.

Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy 12
days may be long upon the land which the
LORD thy God giveth thee.

Thou shalt do no murder. 13

Thou shalt not commit adultery. 14

Thou shalt not steal. 15

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy 16
neighbour.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, 17
thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor
his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his
ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neigh-
bour's.

And all the people saw the thunderings, and 18
the lightnings, and the voice of the trumpet,
and the mountain smoking: and when the
people saw it, they ¹trembled, and stood afar off.
And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, 19
and we will hear: but let not God speak with
us, lest we die. And Moses said unto the 20
people, Fear not: for God is come to prove
you, and that his fear may be before you, that
ye sin not. And the people stood afar off, 21
and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness
where God was.

And the LORD said unto Moses, Thus thou 22
shalt say unto the children of Israel, Ye your-
selves have seen that I have talked with you
from heaven. Ye shall not make *other gods* 23

¹ Or, *were*
moved

with me; gods of silver, or gods of gold, ye
 24 shall not make unto you. An altar of earth
 thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice
 thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offer-
 ings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in every place
 where I ¹record my name I will come unto thee
 25 and I will bless thee. And if thou make me an
 altar of stone, thou shalt not build it of hewn
 stones: for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou
 26 hast polluted it. Neither shalt thou go up by
 steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not
 discovered thereon.

¹ Or, *cause my
name to be
remembered*

21 ¹ Now these are the judgements which thou
 shalt set before them.

2 If thou buy an Hebrew ²servant, six years he
 shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out
 3 free for nothing. If he come in by himself, he
 shall go out by himself: if he be married, then
 4 his wife shall go out with him. If his master
 give him a wife, and she bear him sons or
 daughters; the wife and her children shall be
 her master's, and he shall go out by himself.
 5 But if the servant shall plainly say, I love my
 master, my wife, and my children; I will not go
 6 out free: then his master shall bring him unto
³God, and shall bring him to the door, or
 unto the door post; and his master shall bore
 his ear through with an awl; and he shall serve
 him for ever.

² Or, *bondman*

³ Or, *the
judges*

7 And if a man sell his daughter to be a ⁴maid-
 servant, she shall not go out as the men-
 8 servants do. If she please not her master, ⁵who
 hath espoused her to himself, then shall he let
 her be redeemed: to sell her unto a strange
 people he shall have no power, seeing he hath
 9 dealt deceitfully with her. And if he espouse
 her unto his son, he shall deal with her after
 10 the manner of daughters. If he take him an-

⁴ Or, *bond-
woman*

⁵ Another
reading is,
*so that he hath
not espoused
her.*

¹ Heb. *flesh*.

other *wife*; her ¹food, her raiment, and her duty of marriage, shall he not diminish. And if he ¹¹ do not these three unto her, then shall she go out for nothing, without money.

He that smiteth a man, so that he die, shall ¹² surely be put to death. And if a man lie not ¹³ in wait, but God deliver *him* into his hand; then I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee. And if a man come presumptuously upon his ¹⁴ neighbour, to slay him with guile; thou shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die.

And he that smiteth his father, or his mother, ¹⁵ shall be surely put to death.

And he that stealeth a man, and selleth him, ¹⁶ or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.

² Or, *revileth*

And he that ²curseth his father, or his mother, ¹⁷ shall surely be put to death.

And if men contend, and one smiteth the other ¹⁸ with a stone, or with his fist, and he die not, but keep his bed: if he rise again, and walk abroad ¹⁹ upon his staff, then shall he that smote him be quit: only he shall pay for ³the loss of his time, and shall cause him to be thoroughly healed.

³ Heb. *his sitting or ceasing*.⁴ Or, *his bondman, or his bondwoman*

And if a man smite ⁴his servant, or his maid, ²⁰ with a rod, and he die under his hand; he shall surely be punished. Notwithstanding, if he ²¹ continue a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he is his money.

And if men strive together, and hurt a woman ²² with child, so that her fruit depart, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely fined, according as the woman's husband shall lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine. But if any mischief follow, then thou ²³ shalt give life for life, eye for eye, tooth for ²⁴ tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, burning for ²⁵ burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

26 And if a man smite the eye of his servant, or
the eye of his maid, and destroy it; he shall
27 let him go free for his eye's sake. And if he
smite out his manservant's tooth, or his maid-
servant's tooth; he shall let him go free for
his tooth's sake.

28 And if an ox gore a man or a woman, that
they die, the ox shall be surely stoned, and his
flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the
29 ox shall be quit. But if the ox were wont to
gore in time past, and it hath been testified to
his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that
he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall
be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to
30 death. If there be laid on him a ransom, then
he shall give for the redemption of his life what-
31 soever is laid upon him. Whether he have
gored a son, or have gored a daughter, accord-
ing to this judgement shall it be done unto him.
32 If the ox gore a manservant or a maidservant;
he shall give unto their master thirty shekels of
silver, and the ox shall be stoned.

33 And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man
shall dig a pit and not cover it, and an ox or
34 an ass fall therein, the owner of the pit shall
make it good; he shall give money unto the
owner of them, and the dead *beast* shall be his.

35 And if one man's ox hurt another's, that he
die; then they shall sell the live ox, and divide
the price of it; and the dead also they shall
36 divide. Or if it be known that the ox was
wont to gore in time past, and his owner hath
not kept him in; he shall surely pay ox for ox,
and the dead *beast* shall be his own.

22 1 If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill [Ch. xxi. 37 in
it, or sell it; he shall pay five oxen for an ox, and Heb.]
2 four sheep for a sheep. If the thief be found [Ch. xxii. 1 in
breaking in, and be smitten that he die, there Heb.]

¹ Heb. *blood*. shall be no ¹bloodguiltiness for him. If the sun ³ be risen upon him, there shall be bloodguiltiness for him: he should make restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft. If the theft be found in his hand alive, whether ⁴ it be ox, or ass, or sheep; he shall pay double.

If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be ⁵ eaten, and shall let his beast loose, and it feed in another man's field; of the best of his own field, and of the best of his own vineyard, shall he make restitution.

If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that ⁶ the shocks of corn, or the standing corn, or the field, be consumed; he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour ⁷ money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, he shall pay double. If the thief be not found, then ⁸ the master of the house shall come near unto ²God, *to see* whether he have not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods. For every matter ⁹ of trespass, whether it be for ox, for ass, for sheep, for raiment, *or* for any manner of lost thing, whereof one saith, This is it, the cause of both parties shall come before ²God; he whom ²God shall condemn shall pay double unto his neighbour.

² Or, *the judges*

If a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, ¹⁰ or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it die, or be hurt, or driven away, no man seeing it: the oath of the LORD shall be be- ¹¹ tween them both, whether he hath not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods; and the owner thereof shall accept it, and he shall not make restitution. But if it be stolen from him, ¹² he shall make restitution unto the owner thereof. If it be torn in pieces, let him bring it for ¹³

witness; he shall not make good that which was torn.

14 And if a man ¹borrow aught of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof not being with it, he shall surely make restitution.

15 If the owner thereof be with it, he shall not make it good: if it be an hired thing, ²it came for its hire.

¹ Heb. ask.
² Or, it is reckoned in (Heb. cometh into) its hire

16 And if a man entice a virgin that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely pay
17 a dowry for her to be his wife. If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay money according to the dowry of virgins.

18 Thou shalt not suffer a sorceress to live.

19 Whosoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death.

20 He that sacrificeth unto any god, save unto
21 the LORD only, shall be ³utterly destroyed. And a stranger shalt thou not wrong, neither shalt thou oppress him: for ye were strangers in the
22 land of Egypt. Ye shall not afflict any widow,
23 or fatherless child. If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely
24 hear their cry; and my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.

³ Heb. devoted.
See Lev. xxvii. 29.

25 If thou lend money to any of my people with thee that is poor, thou shalt not be to him as a creditor; neither shall ye lay upon him usury.
26 If thou at all take thy neighbour's garment to pledge, thou shalt restore it unto him by that
27 the sun goeth down: for that is his only covering, it is his garment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? and it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto me, that I will hear; for I am gracious.

28 Thou shalt not revile ⁴God, nor curse a ruler

⁴ Or, the judges

¹ Heb. *thy fullness and thy tear.*

of thy people. Thou shalt not delay to offer of ²⁹
¹the abundance of thy fruits, and of thy liquors.
 The firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto
 me. Likewise shalt thou do with thine oxen, ³⁰
and with thy sheep: seven days it shall be with
 its dam; on the eighth day thou shalt give it
 me. And ye shall be holy men unto me: there- ³¹
 fore ye shall not eat any flesh that is torn of
 beasts in the field; ye shall cast it to the dogs.

² Or, *bear witness*

Thou shalt not take up a false report: put ¹ **23**
 not thine hand with the wicked to be an un-
 righteous witness. Thou shalt not follow a ²
 multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou ³speak
 in a cause to turn aside after a multitude to
 wrest *judgement*: neither shalt thou favour a ³
 poor man in his cause.

³ Or, *and wouldst forbear to release it for him, thou shalt surely release it with him*

If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass ⁴
 going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to
 him again. If thou see the ass of him that ⁵
 hateth thee lying under his burden, ³and would-
 est forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help
 with him.

⁴ Or, *cause*

Thou shalt not wrest the judgement of thy ⁶
 poor in his cause. Keep thee far from a false ⁷
 matter; and the innocent and righteous slay
 thou not: for I will not justify the wicked.
 And thou shalt take no gift: for a gift blindeth ⁸
 them that have sight, and perverteth the ⁴words
 of the righteous. And a stranger shalt thou ⁹
 not oppress: for ye know the heart of a stranger,
 seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

⁵ Or, *release it and let it lie fallow*
 See Deut. xv.
 2.

And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and ¹⁰
 shalt gather in the increase thereof: but the ¹¹
 seventh year thou shalt ⁵let it rest and lie fallow;
 that the poor of thy people may eat: and what
 they leave the beast of the field shall eat. In
 like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard,
and with thy oliveyard. Six days thou shalt do ¹²

thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt
rest: that thine ox and thine ass may have rest,¹ Or, *keep sabbath*
and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger,
13 may be refreshed. And in all things that I
have said unto you take ye heed: and make
no mention of the name of other gods, neither
let it be heard out of thy mouth.

14 Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me
15 in the year. The feast of unleavened bread
shalt thou keep: seven days thou shalt eat un-
leavened bread, as I commanded thee, at the
time appointed in the month Abib (for in it thou
camest out from Egypt); and none shall appear
16 before me empty: and the feast of harvest, the
firstfruits of thy labours, which thou sowest in
the field: and the feast of ingathering, at the
end of the year, when thou gatherest in thy
17 labours out of the field. Three times in the
year all thy males shall appear before the Lord
God.

18 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice
with leavened bread; neither shall the fat of my
19 feast remain all night until the morning. The
first of the firstfruits of thy ground thou shalt
bring into the house of the LORD thy God.
Thou shalt not seethe a kid in its mother's
milk.

20 Behold, I send an angel before thee, to keep
thee by the way, and to bring thee into the
21 place which I have prepared. Take ye heed of
him, and hearken unto his voice; ²provoke him
not: for he will not pardon your transgression;
22 for my name is in him. But if thou shalt indeed
hearken unto his voice, and do all that I speak;
then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies,
23 and an adversary unto thine adversaries. For
mine angel shall go before thee, and bring thee
in unto the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the

² Or, *be not rebellious against him*

¹ Or, *obelisks*
See Lev. xxvi.
1, 2 Kings iii.
2.

Perizzite, and the Canaanite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite: and I will cut them off. Thou ²⁴ shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works: but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and break in pieces their ¹pillars. And ye shall serve the LORD ²⁵ your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee. There shall none ²⁶ cast her young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil. I will ²⁷ send my terror before thee, and will discomfit all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee. And I will send the hornet be- ²⁸ fore thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee. I will not drive them out from be- ²⁹ fore thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee. By little and little I will drive ³⁰ them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land. And I will set ³¹ thy border from the Red Sea even unto the sea of the Philistines, and from the wilderness unto ²the River: for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee. Thou shalt make no ³² covenant with them, nor with their gods. They ³³ shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against me: for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee.

² That is,
the Euphrates.

And he said unto Moses, Come up unto the ¹ **24** LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off: and Moses alone shall come near ² unto the LORD; but they shall not come near; neither shall the people go up with him. And ³

- Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the judgements: and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the LORD hath spoken will we do. And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the mount, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.
- 5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the LORD.
- 6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled
- 7 on the altar. And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath spoken
- 8 will we do, and be obedient. And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you ¹concerning all
- 9 these words. Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of
- 10 Israel: and they saw the God of Israel; and there was under his feet as it were ²a paved work of sapphire stone, and as it were the very
- 11 heaven for clearness. And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: and they beheld God, and did eat and drink.
- 12 And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee the tables of stone, and the law and the commandment, which I have written, that
- 13 thou mayest teach them. And Moses rose up, and Joshua his minister: and Moses went up
- 14 into the mount of God. And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you: whosoever hath a cause, let him

¹ Or, upon all these conditions

² Or, work of bright sapphire

come near unto them. And Moses went up ¹⁵ into the mount, and the cloud covered the mount. And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount ¹⁶ Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud. And the appearance of ¹⁷ the glory of the LORD was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel. And Moses entered into ¹⁸ the midst of the cloud, and went up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **25** Speak unto the children of Israel, that they ² take for me an ¹offering: of every man whose heart maketh him willing ye shall take my ¹offering. And this is the ¹offering which ye shall ³ take of them; gold, and silver, and brass; and ⁴ blue, and purple, and scarlet, and ²fine linen, and goats' *hair*; and rams' skins dyed red, ⁵ and ³sealskins, and acacia wood; oil for the ⁶ light, spices for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense; ⁴onyx stones, and stones to be ⁷ set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate. And ⁸ let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them. According to all that I ⁹ shew thee, the pattern of the ⁵tabernacle, and the pattern of all the furniture thereof, even so shall ye make it.

And they shall make an ark of acacia wood: ¹⁰ two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof. And ¹¹ thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou overlay it, and shalt make upon it a ⁶crown of gold round about. And ¹² thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it, and put them in the four feet thereof; and two rings

¹ Or, *heave offering*

² Or, *cotton*

³ Or, *porpoise-skins*

⁴ Or, *beryl*

⁵ Heb. *dwelling*.

⁶ Or, *rim*
Or, *moulding*

- shall be on the one ¹side of it, and two rings on ¹ Heb. *rib*.
 13 the other ¹side of it. And thou shalt make
 staves of acacia wood, and overlay them with
 14 gold. And thou shalt put the staves into the
 rings on the sides of the ark, to bear the ark
 15 withal. The staves shall be in the rings of the
 16 ark: they shall not be taken from it. And thou
 shalt put into the ark the testimony which I shall
 17 give thee. And thou shalt make a ²mercy-seat ² Or, *covering*
 of pure gold: two cubits and a half *shall be* the
 length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth
 18 thereof. And thou shalt make two cherubim of
 gold; of ³beaten work shalt thou make them, at ³ Or, *turned*
 19 the two ends of the mercy-seat. And make one
 cherub at the one end, and one cherub at the other
 end: ⁴of one piece with the mercy-seat shall ye ⁴ Heb. *out of*
 make the cherubim on the two ends thereof. *the mercy-seat.*
 20 And the cherubim shall spread out their wings on
 high, covering the mercy-seat with their wings,
 with their faces one to another; toward the
 mercy-seat shall the faces of the cherubim be.
 21 And thou shalt put the mercy-seat above upon
 the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testi-
 22 mony that I shall give thee. And there I will
 meet with thee, and I will commune with thee
 from above the mercy-seat, from between the
 two cherubim which are upon the ark of the
 testimony, of all things which I will give thee
 in commandment unto the children of Israel.
 23 And thou shalt make a table of acacia wood:
 two cubits *shall be* the length thereof, and a
 cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half
 24 the height thereof. And thou shalt overlay it
 with pure gold, and make thereto a ⁵crown of ⁵ See ver. 11.
 25 gold round about. And thou shalt make unto it
 a border of an handbreadth round about, and
 thou shalt make a golden crown to the border
 26 thereof round about. And thou shalt make for

it four rings of gold, and put the rings in the four corners that are on the four feet thereof. Close by the border shall the rings be, for places ²⁷ for the staves to bear the table. And thou shalt ²⁸ make the staves of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold, that the table may be borne with them. And thou shalt make the dishes thereof, ²⁹ and the spoons thereof, and the flagons thereof, and the bowls thereof, to pour out withal: of pure gold shalt thou make them. And thou shalt ³⁰ set upon the table ¹shewbread before me alway.

¹ Or, *Presence-bread*

And thou shalt make a candlestick of pure ³¹ gold: of ²beaten work shall the candlestick be made, even its ³base, and its shaft; its cups, its knops, and its flowers, shall be ⁴of one piece with it: and there shall be six branches going out of ³² the sides thereof; three branches of the candlestick out of the one side thereof, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side thereof: three cups made like almond-blossoms ³³ in one branch, a knop and a flower; and three cups made like almond-blossoms in the other branch, a knop and a flower: so for the six branches going out of the candlestick: and in ³⁴ the candlestick four cups made like almond-blossoms, the knops thereof, and the flowers thereof: and a knop under two branches ⁴of one ³⁵ piece with it, and a knop under two branches ⁴of one piece with it, and a knop under two branches ⁴of one piece with it, for the six branches going out of the candlestick. Their ³⁶ knops and their branches shall be ⁴of one piece with it: the whole of it one ²beaten work of pure gold. And thou shalt make the lamps ³⁷ thereof, seven: and they shall ⁵light the lamps thereof, to give light over against it. And the ³⁸ tongs thereof, and the snuffdishes thereof, shall be of pure gold. Of a talent of pure gold shall ³⁹

² Or, *turned*

³ Heb. *thigh*.

⁴ Heb. *out of the same*.

⁵ Or, *set up*

40 it be made, with all these vessels. And see that thou make them after their pattern, which hath been shewed thee in the mount.

- 26 ¹ Moreover thou shalt make the ¹tabernacle with ten curtains; of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, with cherubim the work of the cunning workman shalt thou make them. ² The length of each curtain shall be eight and twenty cubits, and the breadth of each curtain four cubits: all the curtains shall have one ³measure. Five curtains shall be coupled together one to another; and *the other* five curtains ⁴shall be coupled one to another. And thou shalt make loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain ²from the selvedge in the coupling; and likewise shalt thou make in the edge of the curtain that is outmost in the second ³coupling. ⁵ Fifty loops shalt thou make in the one curtain, and fifty loops shalt thou make in the edge of the curtain that is in the second ³coupling; the ⁶loops shall be opposite one to another. And thou shalt make fifty clasps of gold, and couple the curtains one to another with the clasps: and ⁷the tabernacle shall be one. And thou shalt make curtains of goats' *hair* for a tent over the tabernacle: eleven curtains shalt thou make them. ⁸ The length of each curtain shall be thirty cubits, and the breadth of each curtain four cubits: the eleven curtains shall have one measure. ⁹ And thou shalt couple five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves, and shalt double over the sixth curtain in the forefront of ¹⁰the tent. And thou shalt make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain that is outmost in the ⁴coupling, and fifty loops upon the edge of the curtain which is *outmost in* the second ³coupling. ¹¹ And thou shalt make fifty clasps of brass, and put the clasps into the loops, and couple the tent

¹ See ch. xxv.⁹² Or, *that is outmost in the first set*³ Or, *set*⁴ Or, *first set*

together, that it may be one. And the over-¹² hanging part that remaineth of the curtains of the tent, the half curtain that remaineth, shall hang over the back of the tabernacle. And the¹³ cubit on the one side, and the cubit on the other side, of that which remaineth in the length of the curtains of the tent, shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this side and on that side, to cover it. And thou shalt make a cover-¹⁴ ing for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and a covering of ¹sealskins above.

¹ Or, *porpoise-skins*

And thou shalt make the boards for the¹⁵ tabernacle of acacia wood, standing up. Ten¹⁶ cubits shall be the length of a board, and a cubit and a half the breadth of each board. Two¹⁷ tenons shall there be in each board, ²joined one to another: thus shalt thou make for all the boards of the tabernacle. And thou shalt make¹⁸ the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards for the south side southward. And thou shalt¹⁹ make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for its two tenons, and two sockets under another board for its two tenons: and for the second²⁰ side of the tabernacle, on the north side, twenty boards: and their forty sockets of silver; two²¹ sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. And for the hinder part of the²² tabernacle westward thou shalt make six boards. And two boards shalt thou make for the corners²³ of the tabernacle in the hinder part. And they²⁴ shall be double beneath, and in like manner they shall be entire unto the top thereof unto ³one ring: thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners. And there shall be²⁵ eight boards, and their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. And thou shalt²⁶

² Or, *morticed*

³ Or, *the first*

make bars of acacia wood; five for the boards
27 of the one side of the tabernacle, and five bars
for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle,
and five bars for the boards of the side of the
28 tabernacle, for the hinder part westward. And
the middle bar in the midst of the boards shall
29 pass through from end to end. And thou
shalt overlay the boards with gold, and make
their rings of gold for places for the bars: and
30 thou shalt overlay the bars with gold. And thou
shalt rear up the tabernacle according to the
fashion thereof which hath been shewed thee in
the mount.

31 And thou shalt make a veil of blue, and
purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: with
cherubim the work of the cunning workman
32 shall it be made: and thou shalt hang it upon
four pillars of acacia overlaid with gold, their
hooks *shall be* of gold, upon four sockets of
33 silver. And thou shalt hang up the veil under
the clasps, and shalt bring in thither within
the veil the ark of the testimony: and the
veil shall divide unto you between the holy
34 place and the most holy. And thou shalt put
the mercy-seat upon the ark of the testimony
35 in the most holy place. And thou shalt set the
table without the veil, and the candlestick over
against the table on the side of the tabernacle
toward the south: and thou shalt put the table
36 on the north side. And thou shalt make a
screen for the door of the Tent, of blue, and
purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, the
37 work of the embroiderer. And thou shalt make
for the screen five pillars of acacia, and over-
lay them with gold; their hooks shall be of gold:
and thou shalt cast five sockets of brass for
them.

27 1 And thou shalt make the altar of acacia

wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be foursquare: and the height thereof shall be three cubits. And thou shalt² make the horns of it upon the four corners thereof: the horns thereof shall be of one piece with it: and thou shalt overlay it with brass. And thou shalt make its pots to take³ away its ashes, and its shovels, and its basons, and its fleshhooks, and its firepans: all the vessels thereof thou shalt make of brass. And thou⁴ shalt make for it a grating of network of brass; and upon the net shalt thou make four brasen rings in the four¹ corners thereof. And thou shalt⁵ put it under the ledge round the altar beneath, that the net may reach halfway up the altar. And thou shalt make staves for the altar, staves⁶ of acacia wood, and overlay them with brass. And the staves thereof shall be put into the⁷ rings, and the staves shall be upon the two² sides of the altar, in bearing it. Hollow with planks⁸ shalt thou make it: as it hath been shewed thee in the mount, so shall they make it.

¹ Heb. *ends*.² Heb. *ribs*.

And thou shalt make the court of the taber-⁹ nacle: for the south side southward there shall be hangings for the court of fine twined linen an hundred cubits long for one side: and the¹⁰ pillars thereof shall be twenty, and their sockets twenty, of brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *shall be* of silver. And likewise for¹¹ the north side in length there shall be hangings an hundred cubits long, and the pillars thereof twenty, and their sockets twenty, of brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets of silver. And for the breadth of the court on the west¹² side shall be hangings of fifty cubits: their pillars ten, and their sockets ten. And the¹³ breadth of the court on the east side eastward shall be fifty cubits. The hangings for the one¹⁴

side *of the gate* shall be fifteen cubits: their
 15 pillars three, and their sockets three. And for
 the other side shall be hangings of fifteen
 cubits: their pillars three, and their sockets
 16 three. And for the gate of the court shall be
 a screen of twenty cubits, of blue, and purple,
 and scarlet, and fine twined linen, the work of
 the embroiderer: their pillars four, and their
 17 sockets four. All the pillars of the court
 round about shall be filleted with silver; their
 18 hooks of silver, and their sockets of brass. The
 length of the court shall be an hundred cubits,
 and the breadth fifty every where, and the
 height five cubits, of fine twined linen, and
 19 their sockets of brass. All the instruments of
 the tabernacle in all the service thereof, and all
 the pins thereof, and all the pins of the court,
 shall be of brass.

20 And thou shalt command the children of Israel,
 that they bring unto thee pure olive oil beaten
 for the light,¹ to cause a lamp to burn continually.

21 In the ²tent of meeting, without the veil which
 is before the testimony, Aaron and his sons
 shall order it from evening to morning before
 the LORD: it shall be a ³statute for ever through-
 out their generations ⁴on the behalf of the
 children of Israel.

¹ Or, to set up
 a lamp con-
 tinually

² See ch. xxv.
 22, xxix. 42,
 xxx. 36.

³ Or, due

⁴ Or, from

28 ¹ And bring thou near unto thee Aaron thy
 brother, and his sons with him, from among
 the children of Israel, that he may minister
 unto me in the priest's office, even Aaron, Nadab
 and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.
 2 And thou shalt make holy garments for Aaron
 3 thy brother, for glory and for beauty. And thou
 shalt speak unto all that are wise hearted, whom
 I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that
 they make Aaron's garments to sanctify him,
 that he may minister unto me in the priest's

office. And these are the garments which they 4
shall make; a breastplate, and an ephod, and a
¹ Or, *turban* robe, and a coat of chequer work, a ¹mitre, and a
girdle: and they shall make holy garments for
Aaron thy brother, and his sons, that he may
minister unto me in the priest's office. And 5
² See ch. xxv. they shall take ²the gold, and the blue, and the
³ purple, and the scarlet, and the fine linen.

And they shall make the ephod of gold, of 6
blue, and purple, scarlet, and fine twined linen,
the work of the cunning workman. It shall 7
have two shoulderpieces joined to the two
ends thereof; that it may be joined together.
And the cunningly woven band, which is upon 8
it, to gird it on withal, shall be like the work
thereof *and* of the same piece; of gold, of blue,
and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.
³ Or, *beryl* And thou shalt take two ³onyx stones, and grave 9
on them the names of the children of Israel:
six of their names on the one stone, and the 10
names of the six that remain on the other stone,
according to their birth. With the work of 11
an engraver in stone, like the engravings of a
signet, shalt thou engrave the two stones, accord-
ing to the names of the children of Israel:
thou shalt make them to be inclosed in ouches
of gold. And thou shalt put the two stones 12
upon the shoulderpieces of the ephod, to be
stones of memorial for the children of Israel:
and Aaron shall bear their names before the
LORD upon his two shoulders for a memorial.

And thou shalt make ouches of gold: and two 13, 14
chains of pure gold; like cords shalt thou make
them, of wreathen work: and thou shalt put the
wreathen chains on the ouches. And thou shalt 15
make a breastplate of judgement, the work of
the cunning workman; like the work of the
ephod thou shalt make it; of gold, of blue, and

purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, shalt
 16 thou make it. Foursquare it shall be *and*
 double; a span shall be the length thereof, and
 17 a span the breadth thereof. And thou shalt
 set in it settings of stones, four rows of stones:
 a row of ¹sardius, topaz, and ²carbuncle shall be
 18 the first row; and the second row an ³emerald,
 19 a sapphire, and a ⁴diamond; and the third
 20 row a ⁵jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst; and
 the fourth row a ⁶beryl, and an ⁷onyx, and a
 jasper: they shall be inclosed in gold in their
 21 settings. And the stones shall be according
 to the names of the children of Israel, twelve,
 according to their names; like the engravings
 of a signet, every one according to his name,
 22 they shall be for the twelve tribes. And thou
 shalt make upon the breastplate chains like
 23 cords, of wreathen work of pure gold. And
 thou shalt make upon the breastplate two rings
 of gold, and shalt put the two rings on the
 24 two ends of the breastplate. And thou shalt
 put the two wreathen chains of gold on the
 25 two rings at the ends of the breastplate. And
 the *other* two ends of the two wreathen chains
 thou shalt put on the two ouches, and put
 them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod, in the
 26 forepart thereof. And thou shalt make two
 rings of gold, and thou shalt put them upon
 the two ends of the breastplate, upon the
 edge thereof, which is toward the side of the
 27 ephod inward. And thou shalt make two rings
 of gold, and shalt put them on the two shoulder-
 pieces of the ephod underneath, in the forepart
 thereof, close by the coupling thereof, above the
 28 cunningly woven band of the ephod. And they
 shall bind the breastplate by the rings there-
 of unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of
 blue, that it may be upon the cunningly woven

¹ Or, *ruby*² Or, *emerald*³ Or, *car-*
*buncle*⁴ Or, *sardonyx*⁵ Or, *amber*⁶ Or, *chal-*
*cedony*⁷ Or, *beryl*

band of the ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed from the ephod. And Aaron shall ²⁹ bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgement upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy place, for a memorial before the LORD continually. And thou shalt ³⁰ put in the breastplate of judgement ¹the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgement of the children of Israel upon his heart before the LORD continually.

¹ That is, the Lights and the Perfections.

And thou shalt make the robe of the ephod ³¹ all of blue. And ²it shall have a hole for the ³² head in the midst thereof: it shall have a binding of woven work round about the hole of it, as it were the hole of a coat of mail, that it be not rent. And upon the skirts of it thou shalt ³³ make pomegranates of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, round about the skirts thereof; and bells of gold between them round about: a ³⁴ golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the skirts of the robe round about. And it shall be upon Aaron to ³⁵ minister: and the sound thereof shall be heard when he goeth in unto the holy place before the LORD, and when he cometh out, that he die not.

² Or, there shall be a hole in the top of it

And thou shalt make a plate of pure gold, ³⁶ and grave upon it, like the engravings of a signet, HOLY TO THE LORD. And thou shalt ³⁷ put it on a lace of blue, and it shall be upon the ³mitre; upon the forefront of the ³mitre it shall be. And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead, ³⁸ and Aaron shall bear the iniquity of the holy things, which the children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always upon his forehead, that they may be accepted before the LORD. And thou shalt weave the coat ³⁹

³ Or, turban

in chequer work of ¹fine linen, and thou shalt make a ²mitre of ¹fine linen, and thou shalt make ³Or, *silk*
³Or, *turban*

40 a girdle, the work of the embroiderer. And for Aaron's sons thou shalt make coats, and thou shalt make for them girdles, and headtires shalt thou make for them, for glory and for beauty.

41 And thou shalt put them upon Aaron thy brother, and upon his sons with him; and shalt anoint them, and ³consecrate them, and sanctify them, ³Heb. *fill their hand.*
 that they may minister unto me in the priest's

42 office. And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover the flesh of their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:

43 and they shall be upon Aaron, and upon his sons, when they go in unto the tent of meeting, or when they come near unto the altar to minister in the holy place; that they bear not iniquity, and die: it shall be a statute for ever unto him and unto his seed after him.

29 ¹ And this is the thing that thou shalt do unto them to hallow them, to minister unto me in the priest's office: take one young bullock ² and two rams without blemish, and unleavened bread, and cakes unleavened mingled with oil, and wafers unleavened anointed with oil: of ³ fine wheaten flour shalt thou make them. And thou shalt put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the bullock and the ⁴ two rams. And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the tent of meeting, and ⁵ shalt wash them with water. And thou shalt take the garments, and put upon Aaron the coat, and the robe of the ephod, and the ephod, and the breastplate, and gird him with the cunningly woven band of the ephod: and thou shalt ⁶ set the ²mitre upon his head, and put the holy ⁷ crown upon the ²mitre. Then shalt thou take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his head,

and anoint him. And thou shalt bring his sons, 8
and put coats upon them. And thou shalt 9
gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons,
and bind headtires on them: and they shall
have the priesthood by a perpetual statute: and
thou shalt consecrate Aaron and his sons. And 10
thou shalt bring the bullock before the tent
of meeting: and Aaron and his sons shall lay
their hands upon the head of the bullock. And 11
thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD, at
the door of the tent of meeting. And thou 12
shalt take of the blood of the bullock, and put
it upon the horns of the altar with thy finger;
and thou shalt pour out all the blood at the
base of the altar. And thou shalt take all the 13
fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul
upon the liver, and the two kidneys, and the
fat that is upon them, and burn them upon the
altar. But the flesh of the bullock, and its 14
skin, and its dung, shalt thou burn with fire
without the camp: it is a ¹sin offering. Thou 15
shalt also take the one ram; and Aaron and
his sons shall lay their hands upon the head
of the ram. And thou shalt slay the ram, and 16
thou shalt take its blood, and sprinkle it round
about upon the altar. And thou shalt cut the 17
ram into its pieces, and wash its inwards, and
its legs, and put them ²with its pieces, and ²with
its head. And thou shalt burn the whole ram 18
upon the altar: it is a burnt offering unto the
LORD: it is a sweet savour, an offering made by
fire unto the LORD. And thou shalt take the 19
other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall lay their
hands upon the head of the ram. Then shalt 20
thou kill the ram, and take of its blood, and
put it upon the tip of the right ear of Aaron,
and upon the tip of the right ear of his sons,
and upon the thumb of their right hand, and

¹ Heb. *sin*.

² Or, *upon*

- upon the great toe of their right foot, and sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.
- 21 And thou shalt take of the blood that is upon the altar, and of the anointing oil, and sprinkle it upon Aaron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon the garments of his sons with him: and he shall be hallowed, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments
- 22 with him. Also thou shalt take of the ram the fat, and the fat tail, and the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul of the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, and the right ¹thigh; for it is a ram of con-
- 23 secration: and one loaf of bread, and one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, out of the basket of unleavened bread that is before the
- 24 LORD: and thou shalt put the whole upon the hands of Aaron, and upon the hands of his sons; and shalt wave them for a wave offering
- 25 before the LORD. And thou shalt take them from their hands, and burn them on the altar upon the burnt offering, for a sweet savour before the LORD: it is an offering made by fire unto the
- 26 LORD. And thou shalt take the breast of Aaron's ram of consecration, and wave it for a wave offering before the LORD: and it shall be thy
- 27 portion. And thou shalt sanctify the breast of the wave offering, and the ¹thigh of the heave offering, which is waved, and which is heaved up, of the ram of consecration, even of that which is for Aaron, and of that which is
- 28 for his sons: and it shall be for Aaron and his sons as a due for ever from the children of Israel: for it is an heave offering: and it shall be an heave offering from the children of Israel of the sacrifices of their peace offerings,
- 29 even their heave offering unto the LORD. And the holy garments of Aaron shall be for his

¹ Or, *shoulder*

sons after him, to be anointed in them, and to be consecrated in them. Seven days shall the son that is priest in his stead put them on, when he cometh into the tent of meeting to minister in the holy place. And thou shalt take the ram of consecration, and seethe its flesh in a holy place. And Aaron and his sons shall eat the flesh of the ram, and the bread that is in the basket, at the door of the tent of meeting. And they shall eat those things wherewith atonement was made, to consecrate *and* to sanctify them: but a stranger shall not eat thereof, because they are holy. And if aught of the flesh of the consecration, or of the bread, remain unto the morning, then thou shalt burn the remainder with fire: it shall not be eaten, because it is holy. And thus shalt thou do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to all that I have commanded thee: seven days shalt thou consecrate them. And every day shalt thou offer the bullock of sin offering for atonement: and thou shalt ¹cleanse the altar, when thou makest atonement for it; and thou shalt anoint it, to sanctify it. Seven days thou shalt make atonement for the altar, and sanctify it: and the altar shall be most holy; ²whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be holy.

¹ Or, *purge the altar, by thy making atonement*

² Or, *who-soever*

Now this is that which thou shalt offer upon the altar; two lambs of the first year day by day continually. The one lamb thou shalt offer in the morning; and the other lamb thou shalt offer ³at even: and with the one lamb a tenth part *of an ephah* of fine flour mingled with the fourth part of an hin of beaten oil; and the fourth part of an hin of wine for a drink offering. And the other lamb thou shalt offer ³at even, and shalt do thereto according to the meal offering of the morning, and according to the drink

³ Heb. *between the two evenings.*

offering thereof, for a sweet savour, an offering
 42 made by fire unto the LORD. It shall be a continual burnt offering throughout your generations at the door of the tent of meeting before the LORD: where I will meet with you, to speak there unto
 43 thee. And there I will meet with the children of Israel; and *the Tent* shall be sanctified by my
 44 glory. And I will sanctify the tent of meeting, and the altar: Aaron also and his sons will I sanctify, to minister to me in the priest's office.
 45 And I will dwell among the children of Israel,
 46 and will be their God. And they shall know that I am the LORD their God, that brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them: I am the LORD their God.

30 1 And thou shalt make an altar to burn incense
 2 upon: of acacia wood shalt thou make it. A cubit shall be the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof; foursquare shall it be: and two cubits shall be the height thereof: the horns thereof shall be of one piece with it.
 3 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, the
 1 top thereof, and the 2 sides thereof round about, and the horns thereof; and thou shalt make
 4 unto it a 3 crown of gold round about. And two golden rings shalt thou make for it under the crown thereof, upon the two ribs thereof, upon the two sides of it shalt thou make them; and they shall be for places for staves to bear it
 5 withal. And thou shalt make the staves of
 6 acacia wood, and overlay them with gold. And thou shalt put it before the veil that is by the ark of the testimony, before the mercy-seat that is over the testimony, where I will meet with
 7 thee. And Aaron shall burn thereon incense of sweet spices: every morning, when he dresseth
 8 the lamps, he shall burn it. And when Aaron
 1 lighteth the lamps 5 at even, he shall burn it,

1 Heb. roof.

2 Heb. walls.

3 Or, rim
Or, moulding4 Or, setteth up
Heb. causeth
to ascend.5 Heb. between
the two evenings.

a perpetual incense before the LORD throughout your generations. Ye shall offer no strange incense thereon, nor burnt offering, nor meal offering; and ye shall pour no drink offering thereon. And Aaron shall make atonement¹ upon the horns of it once in the year: with the blood of the sin offering of atonement once in the year shall he make atonement² for it throughout your generations: it is most holy unto the LORD.

¹ Or, *for*

² Or, *upon*

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, When thou takest the sum of the children of Israel, according to those that are numbered of them, then shall they give every man a ransom for his soul unto the LORD, when thou numberest them; that there be no plague among them, when thou numberest them. This they shall give, every one that passeth over unto them that are numbered, half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary: (the shekel is twenty gerahs :) half a shekel for an offering to the LORD. Every one that passeth over unto them that are numbered, from twenty years old and upward, shall give the offering of the LORD. The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less, than the half shekel, when they give the offering of the LORD, to make atonement for your souls. And thou shalt take the atonement money from the children of Israel, and shalt appoint it for the service of the tent of meeting; that it may be a memorial for the children of Israel before the LORD, to make atonement for your souls.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Thou shalt also make a laver of brass, and the base thereof of brass, to wash withal: and thou shalt put it between the tent of meeting and the altar, and thou shalt put water therein. And Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands

20 and their feet thereat: when **they** go into the tent of meeting, they shall wash **with** water, that they die not; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn an offering made
21 by fire unto the LORD: so they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they die not: and it shall be a statute for ever to them, even to him and to his seed throughout their generations.

22 Moreover the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
23 Take thou also unto thee the chief spices, of flowing myrrh five hundred *shekels*, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty, and of sweet calamus two hundred

24 and fifty, and of ¹cassia five hundred, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of olive oil an hin: ¹ Or, *costus*

25 and thou shalt make it an holy anointing oil, a perfume compounded after the art of the perfumer: it shall be an holy anointing oil. And thou shalt anoint therewith the tent of meeting,
27 and the ark of the testimony, and the table and all the vessels thereof, and the candlestick and
28 the vessels thereof, and the altar of incense, and the altar of burnt offering with all the vessels thereof, and the laver and the base thereof.

29 And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy: ²whatsoever toucheth them shall be ² Or, *who-*
30 holy. And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his *soever*

31 sons, and sanctify them, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office. And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, This shall be an holy anointing oil unto me throughout your generations. Upon the flesh of man shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make any like it, according to the composition thereof:
33 it is holy, *and* it shall be holy unto you. Whosoever compoundeth any like it, or whosoever putteth any of it upon a stranger, he shall be cut off from his people.

¹ Or, *opobalsamum*

² Or, *tempered together*

And the LORD said unto Moses, Take unto thee sweet spices, ¹stacte, and onycha, and galbanum; sweet spices with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like weight; and thou shalt make of it incense, a perfume after the art of the perfumer, ²seasoned with salt, pure *and* holy: and thou shalt beat some of it very small, and put of it before the testimony in the tent of meeting, where I will meet with thee: it shall be unto you most holy. And the incense which thou shalt make, according to the composition thereof ye shall not make for yourselves: it shall be unto thee holy for the LORD. Whosoever shall make like unto that, to smell thereto, he shall be cut off from his people.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, **31** See, I have called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah: and I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, to devise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and in cutting of stones for setting, and in carving of wood, to work in all manner of workmanship. And I, behold, I have appointed with him Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan; and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all that I have commanded thee: the tent of meeting, and the ark of the testimony, and the mercy-seat that is thereupon, and all the furniture of the Tent; and the table and its vessels, and the pure candlestick with all its vessels, and the altar of incense; and the altar of burnt offering with all its vessels, and the laver and its base; and the finely wrought garments, and the holy garments

³ Some ancient versions render, *garments of service.*

for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his
11 sons, to minister in the priest's office; and the
anointing oil, and the incense of sweet spices
for the holy place: according to all that I have
commanded thee shall they do.

12 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
13 Speak thou also unto the children of Israel,
saying, Verily ye shall keep my sabbaths: for
it is a sign between me and you throughout
your generations; that ye may know that I am
14 the LORD which sanctify you. Ye shall keep
the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you:
every one that profaneth it shall surely be put
to death: for whosoever doeth any work there-
in, that soul shall be cut off from among his
15 people. Six days shall work be done; but on
the seventh day is a sabbath of solemn rest,
holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth any work
in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to
16 death. Wherefore the children of Israel shall
keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath through-
out their generations, for a perpetual covenant.
17 It is a sign between me and the children of
Israel for ever: for in six days the LORD made
heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he
rested, and was refreshed.

18 And he gave unto Moses, when he had made
an end of communing with him upon mount
Sinai, the two tables of the testimony, tables of
stone, written with the finger of God.

32 1 And when the people saw that Moses delayed
to come down from the mount, the people
gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and
said unto him, Up, make us ¹gods, which shall
go before us; for as for this Moses, the man
that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we
2 know not what is become of him. And Aaron
said unto them, Break off the golden rings, which

¹ Or, a god

are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me. And all the people brake off the golden rings ³ which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron. And he received it at their hand, ⁴ and fashioned it with a graving tool, and made it a molten calf: and they said, ¹These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And when Aaron saw *this*, ⁵ he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, To-morrow shall be a feast to the LORD. And they rose up early on ⁶ the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play.

¹ Or, *This is thy god*

And the LORD spake unto Moses, Go, get ⁷ thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves: they have turned aside quickly out ⁸ of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed unto it, and said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And the ⁹ LORD said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people: now ¹⁰ therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of thee a great nation. And Moses besought the LORD his God, and ¹¹ said, LORD, why doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Wherefore should the ¹² Egyptians speak, saying, For evil did he bring them forth, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of this

- 13 evil against thy people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it
- 14 for ever. And the LORD repented of the evil which he said he would do unto his people.
- 15 And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, with the two tables of the testimony in his hand; tables that were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were
- 16 they written. And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God,
- 17 graven upon the tables. And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses, There is a noise of war in
- 18 the camp. And he said, It is not the voice of them that shout for mastery, neither is it the voice of them that cry for being overcome: but the noise of them that sing do I hear.
- 19 And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake
- 20 them beneath the mount. And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt it with fire, and ground it to powder, and strewed it upon the water, and made the children of
- 21 Israel drink of it. And Moses said unto Aaron, What did this people unto thee, that thou hast brought a great sin upon them?
- 22 And Aaron said, Let not the anger of my lord wax hot: thou knowest the people, that they
- 23 are *set* on evil. For they said unto me, Make us gods, which shall go before us: for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we know not what is become

of him. And I said unto them, Whosoever ²⁴
hath any gold, let them break it off; so they
gave it me: and I cast it into the fire, and
there came out this calf. And when Moses ²⁵
saw that the people were broken loose; for
Aaron had let them loose for a ¹derision among
their enemies: then Moses stood in the gate ²⁶
of the camp, and said, Whoso is on the LORD's
side, *let him come* unto me. And all the sons
of Levi gathered themselves together unto him.
And he said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, ²⁷
the God of Israel, Put ye every man his sword
upon his thigh, and go to and fro from gate to
gate throughout the camp, and slay every man
his brother, and every man his companion, and
every man his neighbour. And the sons of ²⁸
Levi did according to the word of Moses:
and there fell of the people that day about
three thousand men. And Moses said, ²Con- ²⁹
secrate yourselves to-day to the LORD, ³yea,
every man ⁴against his son, and ⁴against his
brother; that he may bestow upon you a
blessing this day. And it came to pass on ³⁰
the morrow, that Moses said unto the people,
Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go
up unto the LORD; peradventure I shall make
atonement for your sin. And Moses returned ³¹
unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have
sinned a great sin, and have made them gods
of gold. Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their ³²
sin—; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of
thy book which thou hast written. And the ³³
LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned
against me, him will I blot out of my book.
And now go, lead the people unto *the place* ³⁴
of which I have spoken unto thee: behold,
mine angel shall go before thee: neverthe-
less in the day when I visit, I will visit their

¹ Heb. *whispering*.

² Heb. *Fill your hand*.

³ Or, *for every man hath been against his son and against his brother*

⁴ Or, *upon*

35 sin upon them. And the LORD smote the people, because they made the calf, which Aaron made.

- 33** ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, Depart, go up hence, thou and the people which thou hast brought up out of the land of Egypt, unto the land of which I sware unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, Unto thy seed will
² I give it: and I will send an angel before thee; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the
³ Hivite, and the Jebusite: unto a land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of thee; for thou art a stiffnecked
⁴ people: lest I consume thee in the way. And when the people heard these evil tidings, they mourned: and no man did put on him his
⁵ ornaments. And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto the children of Israel, Ye are a stiff-necked people: if I go up into the midst of thee for one moment, I shall consume thee: therefore now put off thy ornaments from thee, that
⁶ I may know what to do unto thee. And the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments from mount Horeb onward.
⁷ Now Moses used to take the tent and to pitch it without the camp, afar off from the camp; and he called it, The tent of meeting. And it came to pass, that every one which sought the LORD went out unto the tent of
⁸ meeting, which was without the camp. And it came to pass, when Moses went out unto the Tent, that all the people rose up, and stood, every man at his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he was gone into the Tent.
⁹ And it came to pass, when Moses entered into the Tent, the pillar of cloud descended, and stood at the door of the Tent: and *the*

LORD spake with Moses. And all the people ¹⁰ saw the pillar of cloud stand at the door of the Tent: and all the people rose up and worshipped, every man at his tent door. And ¹¹ the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his minister Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the Tent.

¹ Or, *him*
whom

And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou ¹² sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know ¹whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight. Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found ¹³ grace in thy sight, shew me now thy ways, that I may know thee, to the end that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people. And he said, My presence shall ¹⁴ go *with thee*, and I will give thee rest. And he ¹⁵ said unto him, If thy presence go not *with me*, carry us not up hence. For wherein now shall ¹⁶ it be known that I have found grace in thy sight, I and thy people? is it not in that thou goest with us, so that we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth?

And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do ¹⁷ this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name. And he said, Shew me, I pray thee, ¹⁸ thy glory. And he said, I will make all my ¹⁹ goodness pass before thee, and will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy. And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for ²⁰ man shall not see me and live. And the LORD ²¹

said, Behold, there is a place by me, and thou
 22 shalt stand upon the rock: and it shall come to
 pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put
 thee in a cleft of the rock, and will cover thee
 23 with my hand until I have passed by: and I
 will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see
 my back: but my face shall not be seen.

34 1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Hew thee
 two tables of stone like unto the first: and I
 will write upon the tables the words that were
 2 on the first tables, which thou brakest. And
 be ready by the morning, and come up in the
 morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself
 3 there to me on the top of the mount. And
 no man shall come up with thee, neither let
 any man be seen throughout all the mount;
 neither let the flocks nor herds feed before
 4 that mount. And he hewed two tables of
 stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up
 early in the morning, and went up unto mount
 Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and
 5 took in his hand two tables of stone. And
 the LORD descended in the cloud, ¹and stood
 with him there, and proclaimed ²the name of
 6 the LORD. And the LORD passed by before
 him, and proclaimed, The LORD, the LORD,
 a God full of compassion and gracious, slow
 to anger, and plenteous in mercy and truth;
 7 ³keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving in-
 iquity and transgression and sin: and that
 will by no means clear *the guilty*; visiting the
 iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and
 upon the children's children, upon the third
 8 and upon the fourth generation. And Moses
 made haste, and bowed his head toward the
 9 earth, and worshipped. And he said, If now
 I have found grace in thy sight, O Lord, let
 the Lord, I pray thee, go in the midst of us;

¹ Or, *and he stood with him there, and called upon &c.*

² Or, *Jehovah by name*

³ See ch. xx. 5, 6.

for it is a stiffnecked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for thine inheritance. And he said, Behold, I make a ¹⁰ covenant: before all thy people I will do marvels, such as have not been ¹wrought in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which thou art shall see the work of the LORD, for it is a terrible thing that I do with thee. Observe thou that which I com- ¹¹ mand thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. Take heed to thyself, lest thou ¹² make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee: but ye shall break down ¹³ their altars, and dash in pieces their ²pillars, and ye shall cut down their ³Asherim: for ¹⁴ thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God: lest ¹⁵ thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee and thou eat of his sacrifice; and ¹⁶ thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods. Thou shalt make thee no molten gods. ¹⁷ The feast of unleavened bread shalt thou keep. ¹⁸ Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, as I commanded thee, at the time appointed in the month Abib: for in the month Abib thou camest out from Egypt. All that openeth the ¹⁹ womb is mine; and all thy cattle that is male, the firstlings of ox and sheep. And the first- ²⁰ ling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a ⁴lamb: and if thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break its neck. All the firstborn of thy sons

¹ Heb. *created*.

² Or, *obelisks*

³ Probably the wooden symbols of a goddess Asherah.

⁴ Or, *kid*

thou shalt redeem. And none shall appear
 21 before me empty. Six days thou shalt work,
 but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in
 plowing time and in harvest thou shalt rest.

22 And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, *even*
 of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast

23 of ingathering at the year's ¹end. Three times ¹ Heb. *revo-*
 in the year shall all thy males appear before *lution.*

24 the Lord God, the God of Israel. For I will
 cast out nations before thee, and enlarge thy
 borders: neither shall any man desire thy land,
 when thou goest up to appear before the LORD

25 thy God three times in the year. Thou shalt
 not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened
 bread; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of

26 the passover be left unto the morning. The
 first of the firstfruits of thy ground thou shalt
 bring unto the house of the LORD thy God.

Thou shalt not seethe a kid in its mother's
 27 milk. And the LORD said unto Moses, Write

thou these words: for after the tenor of these
 words I have made a covenant with thee and

28 with Israel. And he was there with the LORD
 forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat
 bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon
 the tables the words of the covenant, the ten
²commandments.

² Heb. *words.*

29 And it came to pass, when Moses came down
 from mount Sinai with the two tables of the
 testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down
 from the mount, that Moses wist not that
 the skin of his face ³shone ⁴by reason of his

30 speaking with him. And when Aaron and all
 the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the
 skin of his face shone; and they were afraid

³ Or, *sent forth*
beams
 (Heb. *horns*)

⁴ Or, *while he*
talked with
him

31 to come nigh him. And Moses called unto
 them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the
 congregation returned unto him: and Moses

spake to them. And afterward all the children of Israel came nigh: and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him in mount Sinai. And when Moses had done speaking with them, he put a veil on his face. But when Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he took the veil off, until he came out; and he came out, and spake unto the children of Israel that which he was commanded; and the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone: and Moses put the veil upon his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

And Moses assembled all the congregation of the children of Israel, and said unto them, These are the words which the LORD hath commanded, that ye should do them. ¹Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a sabbath of solemn rest to the LORD: whosoever doeth any work therein shall be put to death. Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day.

¹ See ch. xxxi. 15.

² See ch. xxv. 2—7.

And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying, ²Take ye from among you an offering unto the LORD: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, the LORD's offering; gold, and silver, and brass; and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*; and rams' skins dyed red, and sealskins, and acacia wood; and oil for the light, and spices for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense; and onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate. And let every wise hearted man among you come, and make all that the LORD

11 hath commanded; the tabernacle, its tent,
 and its covering, its clasps, and its boards,
 12 its bars, its pillars, and its sockets; the ark, and
 the staves thereof, the mercy-seat, and the veil
 13 of the screen; the table, and its staves, and
 14 all its vessels, and the ¹shewbread; the candle-
 stick also for the light, and its vessels, and its
 15 lamps, and the oil for the light; and the altar
 of incense, and its staves, and the anointing
 oil, and the sweet incense, and the screen for
 16 the door, at the door of the tabernacle; the altar
 of burnt offering, with its grating of brass, its
 staves, and all its vessels, the laver and its
 17 base; the hangings of the court, the pillars
 thereof, and their sockets, and the screen for
 18 the gate of the court; the pins of the tabernacle,
 19 and the pins of the court, and their cords; the
²finely wrought garments, for ministering in the
 holy place, the holy garments for Aaron the
 priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister
 in the priest's office.

¹ Or, *Presence-bread*

² See ch. xxxi. 10.

20 And all the congregation of the children of
 Israel departed from the presence of Moses.
 21 And they came, every one whose heart stirred
 him up, and every one whom his spirit made
 willing, *and* brought the LORD's offering, for
 the work of the tent of meeting, and for all
 the service thereof, and for the holy garments.
 22 And they came, both men and women, as many
 as were willing hearted, *and* brought brooches,
 and ³earrings, and signet-rings, and ⁴armlets,
 all jewels of gold; even every man that offered
 23 an offering of gold unto the LORD. And every
 man, with whom was found blue, and purple,
 and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*, and
 rams' skins dyed red, and sealskins, brought
 24 them. Every one that did offer an offering of
 silver and brass brought the LORD's offering:

³ Or, *nose-rings*

⁴ Or, *necklaces*

and every man, with whom was found acacia wood for any work of the service, brought it. And all the women that were wise hearted did ²⁵ spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, the blue, and the purple, the scarlet, and the fine linen. And all the women ²⁶ whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun the goats' *hair*. And the rulers brought the ¹onyx ²⁷ stones, and the stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate; and the spice, and the ²⁸ oil; for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense. The children of Israel ²⁹ brought a freewill offering unto the LORD; every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all the work, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.

¹ Or, *beryl*

² See ch. xxxi. 1—6.

² And Moses said unto the children of Israel, ³⁰ See, the LORD hath called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; and he hath filled him with the spirit of God, ³¹ in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship; and to de- ³² vise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and in cutting of stones ³³ for setting, and in carving of wood, to work in all manner of cunning workmanship. And he ³⁴ hath put in his heart that he may teach, both he, and Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan. Them hath he filled with wisdom ³⁵ of heart, to work all manner of workmanship, of the ³engraver, and of the cunning workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, even of them that do any workmanship, and of those that devise cunning works. And ¹ **36** Bezalel and Oholiab shall work, and every wise hearted man, in whom the LORD hath put

³ Or, *craftsman*

wisdom and understanding to know how to work all the work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the LORD hath commanded.

- 2 And Moses called Bezalel and Oholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whose heart the LORD had put wisdom, even every one whose heart stirred him up to come unto the
3 work to do it: and they received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it withal. And they brought yet unto him freewill offerings every morning.
4 And all the wise men, that wrought all the work of the sanctuary, came every man from his
5 work which they wrought; and they spake unto Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which
6 the LORD commanded to make. And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people
7 were restrained from bringing. For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

- 8 ¹And every wise hearted man among them that wrought the work made the tabernacle with ten curtains; of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, with cherubim the work
9 of the cunning workman made he them. The length of each curtain was eight and twenty cubits, and the breadth of each curtain four
10 cubits: all the curtains had one measure. And he coupled five curtains one to another: and *the other* five curtains he coupled one to another.
11 And he made loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain ²from the selvedge in the

¹ See ch. xxvi. 1—14.

² Or, *that was outmost in the first set*

¹ Or, *set*

coupling : likewise he made in the edge of the curtain that was outmost in the second ¹coupling. Fifty loops made he in the one curtain, and fifty ¹² loops made he in the edge of the curtain that was in the second ¹coupling : the loops were opposite one to another. And he made fifty ¹³ clasps of gold, and coupled the curtains one to another with the clasps : so the tabernacle was one. And he made curtains of goats' *hair* ¹⁴ for a tent over the tabernacle : eleven curtains he made them. The length of each curtain was ¹⁵ thirty cubits, and four cubits the breadth of each curtain : the eleven curtains had one measure. And he coupled five curtains by themselves, ¹⁶ and six curtains by themselves. And he made ¹⁷ fifty loops on the edge of the curtain that was outmost in the ²coupling, and fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain which was *outmost in* the second ¹coupling. And he made ¹⁸ fifty clasps of brass to couple the tent together, that it might be one. And he made a cover- ¹⁹ ing for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and a covering of ³sealskins above.

³ Or, *porpoise-skins*⁴ See ch. xxvi. 15—29.⁵ Or, *morticed*

⁴ And he made the boards for the tabernacle ²⁰ of acacia wood, standing up. Ten cubits was ²¹ the length of a board, and a cubit and a half the breadth of each board. Each board had ²² two tenons, ⁵joined one to another : thus did he make for all the boards of the tabernacle. And ²³ he made the boards for the tabernacle ; twenty boards for the south side southward : and he ²⁴ made forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards ; two sockets under one board for its two tenons, and two sockets under another board for its two tenons. And for the second side of ²⁵ the tabernacle, on the north side, he made twenty boards, and their forty sockets of silver ; ²⁶ two sockets under one board, and two sockets

- 27 under another board. And for the hinder part
 of the tabernacle westward he made six boards.
 28 And two boards made he for the corners of the
 29 tabernacle in the hinder part. And they were
 double beneath, and in like manner they were
 entire unto the top thereof unto ¹one ring: thus ¹Or, *the first*
 he did to both of them in the two corners.
 30 And there were eight boards, and their sockets
 of silver, sixteen sockets; under every board
 31 two sockets. And he made bars of acacia wood;
 five for the boards of the one side of the taber-
 32 nacle, and five bars for the boards of the other
 side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the
 boards of the tabernacle for the hinder part
 33 westward. And he made the middle bar to
 pass through in the midst of the boards from
 34 the one end to the other. And he overlaid the
 boards with gold, and made their rings of gold
 for places for the bars, and overlaid the bars
 with gold.
 35 ²And he made the veil of blue, and purple, ²See ch. xxvi.
 and scarlet, and fine twined linen: with cherub- ^{31—37.}
 im the work of the cunning workman made
 36 he it. And he made thereunto four pillars of
 acacia, and overlaid them with gold: their hooks
 were of gold; and he cast for them four sockets
 37 of silver. And he made a screen for the door
 of the Tent, of blue, and purple, and scarlet,
 and fine twined linen, the work of the em-
 38 broiderer; and the five pillars of it with their
 hooks: and he overlaid their chapiters and
 their fillets with gold: and their five sockets
 were of brass.
 37 ¹ ³And Bezalel made the ark of acacia wood: ³See ch. xxv.
 two cubits and a half was the length of it, and a ^{10—20.}
 cubit and a half the breadth of it, and a cubit
 2 and a half the height of it: and he overlaid it
 with pure gold within and without, and made a

¹ Or, *rim*
Or, *moulding*

² Heb. *rib*.

³ Or, *covering*

⁴ Or, *turned*

⁵ See ch. xxv.
23—29.

¹ crown of gold to it round about. And he ³
cast for it four rings of gold, in the four feet
thereof; even two rings on the one ²side of it,
and two rings on the other ²side of it. And ⁴
he made staves of acacia wood, and overlaid
them with gold. And he put the staves into ⁵
the rings on the sides of the ark, to bear the
ark. And he made a ³mercy-seat of pure gold : ⁶
two cubits and a half *was* the length thereof, and
a cubit and a half the breadth thereof. And he ⁷
made two cherubim of gold; of ⁴beaten work
made he them, at the two ends of the mercy-
seat; one cherub at the one end, and one cherub ⁸
at the other end : of one piece with the mercy-
seat made he the cherubim at the two ends
thereof. And the cherubim spread out their ⁹
wings on high, covering the mercy-seat with
their wings, with their faces one to another;
toward the mercy-seat were the faces of the
cherubim.

⁵ And he made the table of acacia wood : two ¹⁰
cubits *was* the length thereof, and a cubit the
breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height
thereof : and he overlaid it with pure gold, and ¹¹
made thereto a crown of gold round about.
And he made unto it a border of an handbreadth ¹²
round about, and made a golden crown to
the border thereof round about. And he cast ¹³
for it four rings of gold, and put the rings
in the four corners that were on the four feet
thereof. Close by the border were the rings, ¹⁴
the places for the staves to bear the table.
And he made the staves of acacia wood, and ¹⁵
overlaid them with gold, to bear the table.
And he made the vessels which were upon the ¹⁶
table, the dishes thereof, and the spoons thereof,
and the bowls thereof, and the flagons thereof,
to pour out withal, of pure gold.

17 ¹And he made the candlestick of pure gold : ¹ See ch. xxv.
of beaten work made he the candlestick, even ^{31—39.}
its base, and its shaft ; its cups, its knops, and
18 its flowers, were of one piece with it : and there
were six branches going out of the sides thereof ;
three branches of the candlestick out of the one
side thereof, and three branches of the candle-
19 stick out of the other side thereof : three cups
made like almond-blossoms in one branch, a knop
and a flower ; and three cups made like almond-
blossoms in the other branch, a knop and a
flower : so for the six branches going out of
20 the candlestick. And in the candlestick were
four cups made like almond-blossoms, the knops
21 thereof, and the flowers thereof : and a knop
under two branches of one piece with it, and a
knop under two branches of one piece with it,
and a knop under two branches of one piece with
22 it, for the six branches going out of it. Their
knops and their branches were of one piece with
it : the whole of it was one beaten work of pure
23 gold. And he made the lamps thereof, seven,
and the tongs thereof, and the snuffdishes there-
24 of, of pure gold. Of a talent of pure gold made
he it, and all the vessels thereof.

25 ²And he made the altar of incense of acacia ² See ch. xxx.
wood : a cubit was the length thereof, and ^{1—5.}
a cubit the breadth thereof, foursquare ; and
two cubits was the height thereof ; the horns
26 thereof were of one piece with it. And he
overlaid it with pure gold, the top thereof, and
the sides thereof round about, and the horns of
it : and he made unto it a crown of gold round
27 about. And he made for it two golden rings
under the crown thereof, upon the two ribs
thereof, upon the two sides of it, for places for
28 staves to bear it withal. And he made the
staves of acacia wood, and overlaid them with

¹ See ch. xxx.
23, 24, 34, 35.

gold. ¹And he made the holy anointing oil, ²⁹
and the pure incense of sweet spices, after the
art of the perfumer.

² See ch. xxvii.
1—8.

²And he made the altar of burnt offering of ¹ **38**
acacia wood : five cubits was the length thereof,
and five cubits the breadth thereof, foursquare ;
and three cubits the height thereof. And he ²
made the horns thereof upon the four corners of
it; the horns thereof were of one piece with it :
and he overlaid it with brass. And he made all ³
the vessels of the altar, the pots, and the shovels,
and the basons, the fleshhooks, and the firepans :
all the vessels thereof made he of brass. And ⁴
he made for the altar a grating of network of
brass, under the ledge round it beneath, reach-
ing halfway up. And he cast four rings for ⁵
the four ends of the grating of brass, to be
places for the staves. And he made the staves ⁶
of acacia wood, and overlaid them with brass.
And he put the staves into the rings on the ⁷
sides of the altar, to bear it withal ; he made it
hollow with planks.

³ See ch. xxx.
18.

⁴ Or, *the*
women which
assembled to
minister

³And he made the laver of brass, and the ⁸
base thereof of brass, of the mirrors of ⁴the
⁵serving women which served at the door of
the tent of meeting.

⁵ See Num. iv.
23, viii. 24 ;
1 Sam. ii. 22.

⁶ See ch. xxvii.
9—19.

⁶And he made the court : for the south side ⁹
southward the hangings of the court were of
fine twined linen, an hundred cubits : their ¹⁰
pillars were twenty, and their sockets twenty, of
brass ; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets
were of silver. And for the north side an ¹¹
hundred cubits, their pillars twenty, and their
sockets twenty, of brass ; the hooks of the
pillars and their fillets of silver. And for the ¹²
west side were hangings of fifty cubits, their pil-
lars ten, and their sockets ten ; the hooks of the
pillars and their fillets of silver. And for the ¹³

¹⁴ east side eastward fifty cubits. The hangings for the one side *of the gate* were fifteen cubits ;
¹⁵ their pillars three, and their sockets three ; and so for the other side : on this hand and that hand by the gate of the court were hangings of fifteen cubits ; their pillars three, and their
¹⁶ sockets three. All the hangings of the court
¹⁷ round about were of fine twined linen. And the sockets for the pillars were of brass ; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets of silver ; and the overlaying of their chapiters of silver ; and all the pillars of the court were filleted
¹⁸ with silver. And the screen for the gate of the court was the work of the embroiderer, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen : and twenty cubits was the length, and the height in the breadth was five cubits, answerable
¹⁹ to the hangings of the court. And their pillars were four, and their sockets four, of brass ; their hooks of silver, and the overlaying of their
²⁰ chapiters and their fillets of silver. And all the pins of the tabernacle, and of the court round about, were of brass.

²¹ This is the sum of *the things for* the tabernacle, even the tabernacle of the testimony, as they were counted, according to the commandment of Moses, for the service of the Levites, by the hand of Ithamar, the son of Aaron the
²² priest. And Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, made all that the
²³ LORD commanded Moses. And with him was Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, ¹an engraver, and a cunning workman, and an embroiderer in blue, and in purple, and in scarlet, and fine linen.

¹ Or, a craftsman

²⁴ All the gold that was used for the work in all the work of the sanctuary, even the gold of the offering, was twenty and nine talents,

and seven hundred and thirty shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary. And the silver of ²⁵ them that were numbered of the congregation was an hundred talents, and a thousand seven hundred and threescore and fifteen shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary : a beka a head, ²⁶ *that is*, half a shekel, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for every one that passed over to them that were numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty men. And the hundred talents of silver were for ²⁷ casting the sockets of the sanctuary, and the sockets of the veil ; an hundred sockets for the hundred talents, a talent for a socket. And of ²⁸ the thousand seven hundred seventy and five *shekels* he made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their chapiters, and made fillets for them. And the brass of the offering was ²⁹ seventy talents, and two thousand and four hundred shekels. And therewith he made the ³⁰ sockets to the door of the tent of meeting, and the brasen altar, and the brasen grating for it, and all the vessels of the altar, and ³¹ the sockets of the court round about, and the sockets of the gate of the court, and all the pins of the tabernacle, and all the pins of the court round about.

And of the blue, and purple, and scarlet, they ¹ **39** made finely wrought garments, for ministering in the holy place, and made the holy garments for Aaron ; as the LORD commanded Moses.

¹ See ch. xxviii. 6—12.

¹ And he made the ephod of gold, blue, and ² purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen. And ³ they did beat the gold into thin plates, and cut it into wires, to work it in the blue, and in the purple, and in the scarlet, and in the fine linen, the work of the cunning workman. They ⁴

made shoulderpieces for it, joined together: at
5 the two ends was it joined together. And the
cunningly woven band, that was upon it, to gird
it on withal, was of the same piece *and* like the
work thereof; of gold, of blue, and purple, and
scarlet, and fine twined linen; as the LORD
commanded Moses.

6 And they wrought the onyx stones, inclosed
in ouches of gold, graven with the engravings of
a signet, according to the names of the children
7 of Israel. And he put them on the shoulder-
pieces of the ephod, to be stones of memorial
for the children of Israel; as the LORD com-
manded Moses.

8 ¹And he made the breastplate, the work of ¹ See ch.
the cunning workman, like the work of the xxviii. 15—28.
9 ephod; of gold, of blue, and purple, and scarlet,
and fine twined linen. It was foursquare; they
made the breastplate double: a span was the
length thereof, and a span the breadth thereof,
10 being double. And they set in it four rows of
stones: a row of sardius, topaz, and carbuncle
11 was the first row. And the second row, an
12 emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond. And
the third row, a jacinth, an agate, and an ame-
13 thyst. And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx,
and a jasper: they were inclosed in ouches of
14 gold in their settings. And the stones were
according to the names of the children of
Israel, twelve, according to their names; like
the engravings of a signet, every one according
15 to his name, for the twelve tribes. And they
made upon the breastplate chains like cords,
16 of wreathen work of pure gold. And they made
two ouches of gold, and two gold rings; and
put the two rings on the two ends of the breast-
17 plate. And they put the two wreathen chains
of gold on the two rings at the ends of the

breastplate. And the *other* two ends of the 18
two wreathen chains they put on the two
ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of
the ephod, in the forepart thereof. And they 19
made two rings of gold, and put them upon
the two ends of the breastplate, upon the edge
thereof, which was toward the side of the ephod
inward. And they made two rings of gold, 20
and put them on the two shoulderpieces of the
ephod underneath, in the forepart thereof, close
by the coupling thereof, above the cunningly
woven band of the ephod. And they did bind 21
the breastplate by the rings thereof unto the
rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it
might be upon the cunningly woven band of
the ephod, and that the breastplate might not
be loosed from the ephod; as the LORD com-
manded Moses.

¹ See ch.
xxviii. 31—34.

¹And he made the robe of the ephod of woven 22
work, all of blue; and the hole of the robe in 23
the midst thereof, as the hole of a coat of mail,
with a binding round about the hole of it, that
it should not be rent. And they made upon 24
the skirts of the robe pomegranates of blue,
and purple, and scarlet, *and* twined *linen*.
And they made bells of pure gold, and put the 25
bells between the pomegranates upon the skirts
of the robe round about, between the pome-
granates; a bell and a pomegranate, a bell 26
and a pomegranate, upon the skirts of the robe
round about, to minister in; as the LORD com-
manded Moses.

² See ch.
xxviii. 39, 40,
42.

³ Or, *turban*

²And they made the coats of fine linen of 27
woven work for Aaron, and for his sons, and 28
the ³mitre of fine linen, and the goodly headtires
of fine linen, and the linen breeches of fine
twined linen, and the girdle of fine twined linen, 29
and blue, and purple, and scarlet, the work of

the embroiderer; as the LORD commanded Moses.

30 ¹And they made the plate of the holy crown ¹ See ch. xxviii. 36, 37.
of pure gold, and wrote upon it a writing,
like the engravings of a signet, HOLY TO THE
31 LORD. And they tied unto it a lace of blue,
to fasten it upon the ²mitre above; as the LORD ² Or, *turban*
commanded Moses.

32 Thus was finished all the work of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting: and the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.

33 And they brought the tabernacle unto Moses, the Tent, and all its furniture, its clasps, its boards, its bars, and its pillars, and its sockets;
34 and the covering of rams' skins dyed red, and the covering of ³sealskins, and the veil of ³ Or, *porpoise-skins*
35 the screen; the ark of the testimony, and the
36 staves thereof, and the mercy-seat; the table,
37 all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread; the pure candlestick, the lamps thereof, even the lamps to be set in order, and all the vessels
38 thereof, and the oil for the light; and the golden altar, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the screen for the door of the
39 Tent; the brasen altar, and its grating of brass, its staves, and all its vessels, the laver and
40 its base; the hangings of the court, its pillars, and its sockets, and the screen for the gate of the court, the cords thereof, and the pins thereof, and all the instruments of the service of the
41 tabernacle, for the tent of meeting; the finely wrought garments for ministering in the holy place, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister
42 in the priest's office. According to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of
43 Israel did all the work. And Moses saw all

the work, and, behold, they had done it; as the LORD had commanded, even so had they done it: and Moses blessed them.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, **1 40**
On the first day of the first month shalt thou **2**
rear up the tabernacle of the tent of meeting.
And thou shalt put therein the ark of the testi- **3**
mony, and thou shalt screen the ark with the
veil. And thou shalt bring in the table, and **4**
set in order the things that are upon it; and
¹ Or, *set up* thou shalt bring in the candlestick, and ¹light
the lamps thereof. And thou shalt ¹set the **5**
golden altar for incense before the ark of the
testimony, and put the screen of the door to
the tabernacle. And thou shalt set the altar **6**
of burnt offering before the door of the taber-
nacle of the tent of meeting. And thou shalt **7**
set the laver between the tent of meeting and
the altar, and shalt put water therein. And **8**
thou shalt set up the court round about, and
hang up the screen of the gate of the court.
And thou shalt take the anointing oil, and **9**
anoint the tabernacle, and all that is therein,
and shalt hallow it, and all the furniture thereof:
and it shall be holy. And thou shalt anoint **10**
the altar of burnt offering, and all its vessels,
and sanctify the altar: and the altar shall be
most holy. And thou shalt anoint the laver **11**
and its base, and sanctify it. And thou shalt **12**
bring Aaron and his sons unto the door of the
tent of meeting, and shalt wash them with water.
And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy gar- **13**
ments; and thou shalt anoint him, and sanctify
him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's
office. And thou shalt bring his sons, and put **14**
coats upon them: and thou shalt anoint them, **15**
as thou didst anoint their father, that they may
minister unto me in the priest's office: and

their anointing shall be to them for an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations.

16 Thus did Moses: according to all that the LORD commanded him, so did he.

17 And it came to pass in the first month in the second year, on the first day of the month, that

18 the tabernacle was reared up. And Moses reared up the tabernacle, and laid its sockets, and set up the boards thereof, and put in the

19 bars thereof, and reared up its pillars. And he spread the tent over the tabernacle, and put the covering of the tent above upon it; as the LORD

20 commanded Moses. And he took and put the testimony into the ark, and set the staves on the ark, and put the mercy-seat above upon the

21 ark: and he brought the ark into the tabernacle, and set up the veil of the screen, and screened the ark of the testimony; as the LORD com-

22 manded Moses. And he put the table in the tent of meeting, upon the side of the tabernacle

23 northward, without the veil. And he set the bread in order upon it before the LORD; as the

24 LORD commanded Moses. And he put the candlestick in the tent of meeting, over against the table, on the side of the tabernacle south-

25 ward. And he ¹lighted the lamps before the ¹ Or, *set up*

26 LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses. And

he put the golden altar in the tent of meeting before the veil: and he burnt thereon incense of sweet spices; as the LORD commanded Moses.

28 And he put the screen of the door to the tabernacle. And he set the altar of burnt offering

at the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, and offered upon it the burnt offering and the meal offering; as the LORD commanded

30 Moses. And he set the laver between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water therein,

31 to wash withal. ² And Moses and Aaron and ² See ch. xxx. 19, 20.

his sons washed their hands and their feet thereat; when they went into the tent of³² meeting, and when they came near unto the altar, they washed: as the LORD commanded Moses. And he reared up the court round³³ about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the screen of the gate of the court. So Moses finished the work.

Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting,³⁴ and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. And Moses was not able to enter into the tent³⁵ of meeting, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. And when the cloud was taken up from over³⁶ the tabernacle, the children of Israel went onward, throughout all their journeys: but if the³⁷ cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up. For the³⁸ cloud of the LORD was upon the tabernacle by day, and there was fire therein by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

THE THIRD BOOK OF MOSES,

COMMONLY CALLED

LEVITICUS.

- 1 ¹ AND the LORD called unto Moses, and spake
unto him out of the tent of meeting, saying,
2 ² Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto
them, When any man of you offereth an ob-
lation unto the LORD, ye shall offer your
oblation of the cattle, *even* of the herd and of
the flock.
- 3 If his oblation be a burnt offering of the
herd, he shall offer it a male without blemish:
he shall offer it at the door of the tent of
meeting, that he may be accepted before the
4 LORD. And he shall lay his hand upon the
head of the burnt offering; and it shall be
accepted for him to make atonement for him.
- 5 And he shall kill the bullock before the LORD:
and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall present the
blood, and sprinkle the blood round about upon
the altar that is at the door of the tent of
6 meeting. And he shall flay the burnt offering,
7 and cut it into its pieces. And the sons of
Aaron the priest shall put fire upon the altar,
8 and lay wood in order upon the fire: and
Aaron's sons, the priests, shall lay the pieces,
the head, and the fat, in order upon the wood
9 that is on the fire which is upon the altar: but
its inwards and its legs shall he wash with water:
and the priest shall burn the whole on the altar,

for a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

And if his oblation be of the flock, of the sheep, or of the goats, for a burnt offering; he shall offer it a male without blemish. And he shall kill it on the side of the altar northward before the LORD: and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall sprinkle its blood upon the altar round about. And he shall cut it into its pieces, with its head and its fat: and the priest shall lay them in order on the wood that is on the fire which is upon the altar: but the inwards and the legs shall he wash with water: and the priest shall offer the whole, and burn it upon the altar: it is a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

And if his oblation to the LORD be a burnt offering of fowls, then he shall offer his oblation of turtledoves, or of young pigeons. And the priest shall bring it unto the altar, and ¹wring off its head, and burn it on the altar; and the blood thereof shall be drained out on the side of the altar: and he shall take away its crop with the ²filth thereof, and cast it beside the altar on the east part, in the place of the ashes: and he shall rend it by the wings thereof, *but* shall not divide it asunder: and the priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that is upon the fire: it is a burnt offering, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

¹ Or, *pinch*

² Or, *feathers*

And when any one offereth an oblation of a meal offering unto the LORD, his oblation shall be of fine flour; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense thereon: and he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests: and he shall take thereout his handful of the fine flour thereof, and of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof; and the priest shall burn

it as the memorial thereof upon the altar, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the
3 LORD: and that which is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons': it is a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.

4 And when thou offerest an oblation of a meal offering baken in the oven, it shall be unleavened cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, or un-
5 leavened wafers anointed with oil. And if thy oblation be a meal offering of the ¹baking pan, ¹ Or, *flat plate*
it shall be of fine flour unleavened, mingled
6 with oil. Thou shalt part it in pieces, and pour
7 oil thereon: it is a meal offering. And if thy oblation be a meal offering of the frying pan,
8 it shall be made of fine flour with oil. And thou shalt bring the meal offering that is made of these things unto the LORD: and it shall be presented unto the priest, and he shall bring
9 it unto the altar. And the priest shall take up from the meal offering the memorial thereof, and shall burn it upon the altar: an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
10 And that which is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons': it is a thing most holy
11 of the offerings of the LORD made by fire. No meal offering, which ye shall offer unto the LORD, shall be made with leaven: for ye shall burn no leaven, nor any honey, as an offering made by fire
12 unto the LORD. As an oblation of firstfruits ye shall offer them unto the LORD: but they shall not come up for a sweet savour on the altar.
13 And every oblation of thy meal offering shalt thou season with salt; neither shalt thou suffer the salt of the covenant of thy God to be lacking from thy meal offering: with all thine oblations thou shalt offer salt.

14 And if thou offer a meal offering of firstfruits unto the LORD, thou shalt offer for the meal

offering of thy firstfruits corn in the ear parched with fire, bruised corn of the fresh ear. And ¹⁵ thou shalt put oil upon it, and lay frankincense thereon: it is a meal offering. And the priest ¹⁶ shall burn the memorial of it, part of the bruised corn thereof, and part of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof: it is an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

¹ Or, *thank offerings*

And if his oblation be a sacrifice of ¹peace ¹ ³ offerings; if he offer of the herd, whether male or female, he shall offer it without blemish before the LORD. And he shall lay his hand upon ² the head of his oblation, and kill it at the door of the tent of meeting: and Aaron's sons the priests shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about. And he shall offer of the sacrifice ³ of peace offerings an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards, and the ⁴ two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the loins, and the caul upon the liver, ² with the kidneys, shall he take away. And ⁵ Aaron's sons shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt offering, which is upon the wood that is on the fire: it is an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

² Or, *which he shall take away by the kidneys*

And if his oblation for a sacrifice of peace ⁶ offerings unto the LORD be of the flock; male or female, he shall offer it without blemish. If he offer a lamb for his oblation, then shall ⁷ he offer it before the LORD: and he shall lay ⁸ his hand upon the head of his oblation, and kill it before the tent of meeting: and Aaron's sons shall sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round about. And he shall offer of the sacrifice ⁹ of peace offerings an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat thereof, the fat tail entire, he shall take it away hard by the backbone; and

the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat
 10 that is upon the inwards, and the two kidneys,
 and the fat that is upon them, which is by
 the loins, and the caul upon the liver, ¹with the ¹ See ver. 4.
 11 kidneys, shall he take away. And the priest
 shall burn it upon the altar: it is the ²food of ² Heb. *bread*.
 the offering made by fire unto the LORD.

12 And if his oblation be a goat, then he shall
 13 offer it before the LORD: and he shall lay his
 hand upon the head of it, and kill it before the
 tent of meeting: and the sons of Aaron shall
 sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round
 14 about. And he shall offer thereof his oblation,
even an offering made by fire unto the LORD;
 the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the
 15 fat that is upon the inwards, and the two
 kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which
 is by the loins, and the caul upon the liver,
 16 ¹with the kidneys, shall he take away. And
 the priest shall burn them upon the altar: it
 is the food of the offering made by fire, for a
 17 sweet savour: all the fat is the LORD'S. It
 shall be a perpetual statute throughout your
 generations in all your dwellings, that ye shall
 eat neither fat nor blood.

4 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
² Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If
 any one shall sin ³unwittingly, in any of the ³ Or, *through*
 things which the LORD hath commanded not to *error*
 3 be done, and shall do any one of them: if the
 anointed priest shall sin so as to bring guilt
 on the people; then let him offer for his sin,
 which he hath sinned, a young bullock without
 4 blemish unto the LORD for a sin offering. And
 he shall bring the bullock unto the door of the
 tent of meeting before the LORD; and he shall
 lay his hand upon the head of the bullock, and

kill the bullock before the LORD. And the 5
anointed priest shall take of the blood of the
bullock, and bring it to the tent of meeting: and 6
the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and
sprinkle of the blood seven times before the
LORD, before the veil of the sanctuary. And 7
the priest shall put of the blood upon the horns
of the altar of sweet incense before the LORD,
which is in the tent of meeting; and all the
blood of the bullock shall he pour out at the
base of the altar of burnt offering, which is at
the door of the tent of meeting. And all the 8
fat of the bullock of the sin offering he shall
take off from it; the fat that covereth the in-
wards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards,
and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon 9
them, which is by the loins, and the caul upon
the liver, ¹with the kidneys, shall he take away,
as it is taken off from the ox of the sacrifice 10
of peace offerings: and the priest shall burn
them upon the altar of burnt offering. And 11
the skin of the bullock, and all its flesh, with
its head, and with its legs, and its inwards, and
its dung, even the whole bullock shall he carry 12
forth without the camp unto a clean place, where
the ashes are poured out, and burn it on wood
with fire: where the ashes are poured out shall
it be burnt.

¹ See ch. iii. 4.

And if the whole congregation of Israel shall 13
err, and the thing be hid from the eyes of the
assembly, and they have done any of the things
which the LORD hath commanded not to be
done, and are guilty; when the sin wherein 14
they have sinned is known, then the assembly
shall offer a young bullock for a sin offering,
and bring it before the tent of meeting. And 15
the elders of the congregation shall lay their
hands upon the head of the bullock before the

LORD: and the bullock shall be killed before
16 the LORD. And the anointed priest shall bring
of the blood of the bullock to the tent of
17 meeting: and the priest shall dip his finger in
the blood, and sprinkle it seven times before
18 the LORD, before the veil. And he shall put of
the blood upon the horns of the altar which is
before the LORD, that is in the tent of meeting,
and all the blood shall he pour out at the base
of the altar of burnt offering, which is at the
19 door of the tent of meeting. And all the fat
thereof shall he take off from it, and burn it
20 upon the altar. Thus shall he do with the
bullock; as he did with the bullock of the sin
offering, so shall he do with this: and the priest
shall make atonement for them, and they shall
21 be forgiven. And he shall carry forth the
bullock without the camp, and burn it as he
burned the first bullock: it is the sin offering
for the assembly.

22 When a ruler sinneth, and doeth unwittingly
any one of all the things which the LORD his
God hath commanded not to be done, and is
23 guilty; if his sin, wherein he hath sinned, be
made known to him, he shall bring for his
24 oblation a goat, a male without blemish; and
he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat,
and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt
offering before the LORD: it is a sin offering.
25 And the priest shall take of the blood of the
sin offering with his finger, and put it upon the
horns of the altar of burnt offering, and the
blood thereof shall he pour out at the base of
26 the altar of burnt offering. And all the fat
thereof shall he burn upon the altar, as the fat
of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest
shall make atonement for him as concerning his
sin, and he shall be forgiven.

¹ Heb. *people of the land.*

And if any one of the ¹common people sin ²⁷ unwittingly, in doing any of the things which the LORD hath commanded not to be done, and be guilty; if his sin, which he hath sinned, be ²⁸ made known to him, then he shall bring for his oblation a goat, a female without blemish, for his sin which he hath sinned. And he ²⁹ shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and kill the sin offering in the place of burnt offering. And the priest shall take of ³⁰ the blood thereof with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and all the blood thereof shall he pour out at the base of the altar. And all the fat thereof ³¹ shall he take away, as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall burn it upon the altar for a sweet savour unto the LORD; and the priest shall make atonement for him, and he shall be forgiven.

And if he bring a lamb as his oblation for ³² a sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish. And he shall lay his hand upon the ³³ head of the sin offering, and kill it for a sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering. And the priest shall take of the blood ³⁴ of the sin offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and all the blood thereof shall he pour out at the base of the altar: and all the fat thereof ³⁵ shall he take away, as the fat of the lamb is taken away from the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall burn them on the altar, ²upon the offerings of the LORD made by fire: and the priest shall make atonement for him as touching his sin that he hath sinned, and he shall be forgiven.

² Or, *after the manner of*

And if any one sin, in that he heareth the ¹ 5

- voice of adjuration, he being a witness, whether he hath seen or known, if he do not utter *it*,
 2 then he shall bear his iniquity: or if any one touch any unclean thing, whether it be the carcase of an unclean beast, or the carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and it be hidden from him, and he
 3 be unclean, then he shall be guilty: or if he touch the uncleanness of man, whatsoever his uncleanness be wherewith he is unclean, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then
 4 he shall be guilty: or if any one swear rashly with his lips to do evil, or to do good, whatsoever it be that a man shall utter rashly with an oath, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty in one of these
 5 *things*: and it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these *things*, that he shall confess that
 6 wherein he hath sinned: and he shall bring ¹his guilt offering unto the LORD for his sin which he hath sinned, a female from the flock, a lamb or a goat, for a sin offering; and the priest shall make atonement for him as concerning his sin.
 7 And if his means suffice not for a lamb, then he shall bring ¹his guilt offering for that wherein he hath sinned, two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, unto the LORD; one for a sin offering,
 8 and the other for a burnt offering. And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer that which is for the sin offering first, and
 9 ²wring off its head from its neck, but shall not divide it asunder: and he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin offering upon the side of the altar; and the rest of the blood shall be drained out at the base of the altar: it is a sin offering.
 10 And he shall ³offer the second for a burnt offering, according to the ordinance: and the priest shall make atonement for him as concerning his

¹ Or, for his
guilt
Or, his tres-
pass offering

² Or, pinch

³ Or, prepare

sin which he hath sinned, and he shall be forgiven.

But if his means suffice not for two turtle-¹¹ doves, or two young pigeons, then he shall bring his oblation for that wherein he hath sinned, the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a sin offering; he shall put no oil upon it, neither shall he put any frankincense thereon: for it is a sin offering. And he shall bring¹² it to the priest, and the priest shall take his handful of it as the memorial thereof, and burn it on the altar, ¹upon the offerings of the LORD made by fire: it is a sin offering. And the priest shall make atonement for him¹³ as touching his sin that he hath sinned in any of these things, and he shall be forgiven: and *the remnant* shall be the priest's, as the meal offering.

¹ Or, after the manner of

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, If^{14, 15} any one commit a trespass, and sin unwittingly, in the holy things of the LORD; then he shall bring his guilt offering unto the LORD, a ram without blemish out of the flock, according to thy estimation in silver by shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for a guilt offering: and he shall make restitution for that which he¹⁶ hath done amiss in the holy thing, and shall add the fifth part thereto, and give it unto the priest: and the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the guilt offering, and he shall be forgiven.

And if any one sin, and do any of the things¹⁷ which the LORD hath commanded not to be done; though he knew it not, yet is he guilty, and shall bear his iniquity. And he shall bring¹⁸ a ram without blemish out of the flock, according to thy estimation, for a guilt offering, unto the priest: and the priest shall make atonement

for him concerning the thing wherein he erred unwittingly and knew it not, and he shall be
 19 forgiven. It is a guilt offering: he is certainly guilty before the LORD.

6 1, 2 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, If [Ch. v. 20 in Heb.]
 any one sin, and commit a trespass against the LORD, and deal falsely with his neighbour in a matter of deposit, or of ¹bargain, or of robbery, ¹ Or, *pledge*
 3 or have oppressed his neighbour; or have found that which was lost, and deal falsely therein, and swear to a lie; in any of all these that a
 4 man doeth, sinning therein: then it shall be, if he hath sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that which he took by robbery, or the thing which he hath gotten by oppression, or the deposit which was committed to him, or the
 5 lost thing which he found, or any thing about which he hath sworn falsely; he shall even restore it in full, and shall add the fifth part more thereto: unto him to whom it appertaineth shall he give it, in the day of his being found
 6 guilty. And he shall bring his guilt offering unto the LORD, a ram without blemish out of the flock, according to thy estimation, for a
 7 guilt offering, unto the priest: and the priest shall make atonement for him before the LORD, and he shall be forgiven; concerning whatsoever he doeth so as to be guilty thereby.

8 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, [Ch. vi. 1 in Heb.]
 9 Command Aaron and his sons, saying, This is the law of the burnt offering: the burnt offering shall be ²on the hearth upon the altar all ² Or, *on its firewood*
 10 altar shall be kept burning thereon. And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen breeches shall he put upon his flesh; and he shall take up the ashes whereto the fire hath

consumed the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar. And he 11 shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry forth the ashes without the camp unto a clean place. And the fire upon the 12 altar shall be kept burning thereon, it shall not go out; and the priest shall burn wood on it every morning: and he shall lay the burnt offering in order upon it, and shall burn thereon the fat of the peace offerings. Fire shall be 13 kept burning upon the altar continually; it shall not go out.

And this is the law of the meal offering: the 14 sons of Aaron shall offer it before the LORD, before the altar. And he shall take up there- 15 from his handful, of the fine flour of the meal offering, and of the oil thereof, and all the frankincense which is upon the meal offering, and shall burn it upon the altar for a sweet savour, as the memorial thereof, unto the LORD. And that which is left thereof shall Aaron and 16 his sons eat: it shall be eaten without leaven in a holy place; in the court of the tent of meeting they shall eat it. It shall not be baked with 17 leaven. I have given it as their portion of my offerings made by fire; it is most holy, as the sin offering, and as the guilt offering. Every 18 male among the children of Aaron shall eat of it, as a due for ever throughout your generations, from the offerings of the LORD made by fire: whosoever toucheth them shall be holy.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 19 This is the oblation of Aaron and of his sons, 20 which they shall offer unto the LORD in the day when he is anointed; the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a meal offering perpetually, half of it in the morning, and half thereof in the evening. On a ¹baking pan it shall be made 21

¹ See ch. ii. 5.

with oil; when it is soaked, thou shalt bring it in: in ¹baken pieces shalt thou offer the meal

²² offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD. And the anointed priest that shall be in his stead from among his sons shall offer it: by a statute for ever it shall be wholly burnt unto the LORD.

²³ And every meal offering of the priest shall be wholly burnt: it shall not be eaten.

²⁴ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

²⁵ Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, saying, This is the law of the sin offering: in the place where the burnt offering is killed shall the sin offering

²⁶ be killed before the LORD: it is most holy. The

priest that offereth it for sin shall eat it: in a holy place shall it be eaten, in the court of the

²⁷ tent of meeting. ²Whatsoever shall touch the

flesh thereof shall be holy: and when there is sprinkled of the blood thereof upon any garment,

thou shalt wash that whereon it was sprinkled in

²⁸ a holy place. But the earthen vessel wherein it

is sodden shall be broken: and if it be sodden in

a brasen vessel, it shall be scoured, and rinsed

²⁹ in water. Every male among the priests shall

³⁰ eat thereof: it is most holy. And no sin offer-

ing, whereof any of the blood is brought into

the tent of meeting to make atonement in the

holy place, shall be eaten: it shall be burnt with

fire.

7 ¹ And this is the law of the guilt offering: it is

² most holy. In the place where they kill the

burnt offering shall they kill the guilt offering:

and the blood thereof shall he sprinkle upon

³ the altar round about. And he shall offer of it

all the fat thereof; the fat tail, and the fat that

⁴ covereth the inwards, and the two kidneys, and

the fat that is on them, which is by the loins,

and the caul upon the liver, ³with the kidneys,

⁵ shall he take away: and the priest shall burn

¹ The meaning of the Hebrew word is uncertain.

² Or, *Whosoever*

³ See ch. iii. 4.

them upon the altar for an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it is a guilt offering. Every 6 male among the priests shall eat thereof: it shall be eaten in a holy place: it is most holy. As is the sin offering, so is the guilt offering: 7 there is one law for them: the priest that maketh atonement therewith, he shall have it. And the priest that offereth any man's burnt 8 offering, even the priest shall have to himself the skin of the burnt offering which he hath offered. And every meal offering that is baked 9 in the oven, and all that is dressed in the frying pan, and on the ¹baking pan, shall be the priest's that offereth it. And every meal 10 offering, mingled with oil, or dry, shall all the sons of Aaron have, one as well as another.

¹ See ch. ii. 5.

And this is the law of the sacrifice of peace 11 offerings, which one shall offer unto the LORD. If he offer it for a thanksgiving, then he shall 12 offer with the sacrifice of thanksgiving unleavened cakes mingled with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and cakes mingled with oil, of fine flour soaked. With cakes of leavened 13 bread he shall offer his oblation with the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving. And of it he shall offer one out of each oblation 14 for an heave offering unto the LORD; it shall be the priest's that sprinkleth the blood of the peace offerings. And the flesh of the sacrifice 15 of his peace offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten on the day of his oblation; he shall not leave any of it until the morning. But if the 16 sacrifice of his oblation be a vow, or a freewill offering, it shall be eaten on the day that he offereth his sacrifice: and on the morrow that which remaineth of it shall be eaten: but that 17 which remaineth of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire. And if 18

any of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten on the third day, it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be imputed unto him that offereth it : it shall be an abomination, and the soul that eateth of it shall bear his
19 iniquity. And the flesh that toucheth any unclean thing shall not be eaten ; it shall be burnt with fire. And as for the flesh, every one that
20 is clean shall eat thereof : but the soul that eateth of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, that pertain unto the LORD, having his uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut
21 off from his people. And when any one shall touch any unclean thing, the uncleanness of man, or an unclean beast, or any unclean abomination, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which pertain unto the LORD, that soul shall be cut off from his people.

22 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
23 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Ye
24 shall eat no fat, of ox, or sheep, or goat. And the fat of that which dieth of itself, and the fat of that which is torn of beasts, may be used for any other service : but ye shall in no wise eat of
25 it. For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, even the soul that eateth it shall be
26 cut off from his people. And ye shall eat no manner of blood, whether it be of fowl or of
27 beast, in any of your dwellings. Whosoever it be that eateth any blood, that soul shall be cut off from his people.

28 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
29 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, He that offereth the sacrifice of his peace offerings unto the LORD shall bring his oblation unto the LORD out of the sacrifice of his peace offerings :
30 his own hands shall bring the offerings of the

LORD made by fire; the fat with the breast shall he bring, that the breast may be waved for a wave offering before the LORD. And the priest ³¹ shall burn the fat upon the altar: but the breast shall be Aaron's and his sons'. And ³² the right ¹thigh shall ye give unto the priest for an heave offering out of the sacrifices of your peace offerings. He among the sons of ³³ Aaron, that offereth the blood of the peace offerings, and the fat, shall have the right ¹thigh for a portion. For the wave breast and the ³⁴ heave ¹thigh have I taken of the children of Israel out of the sacrifices of their peace offerings, and have given them unto Aaron the priest and unto his sons as a due for ever from the children of Israel.

² Or, *portion* This is the ²anointing-portion of Aaron, and ³⁵ the anointing-portion of his sons, out of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, in the day when he presented them to minister unto the LORD in the priest's office; which the LORD ³⁶ commanded to be given them of the children of Israel, in the day that he anointed them. It is a due for ever throughout their generations. This is the law of the burnt offering, ³⁷ of the meal offering, and of the sin offering, and of the guilt offering, and of the consecration, and of the sacrifice of peace offerings; which ³⁸ the LORD commanded Moses in mount Sinai, in the day that he commanded the children of Israel to offer their oblations unto the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai.

³ See Ex. xxix. ³And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **8**
Take Aaron and his sons with him, and the ²
garments, and the anointing oil, and the bullock
of the sin offering, and the two rams, and the
basket of unleavened bread; and assemble thou ³

all the congregation at the door of the tent of
4 meeting. And Moses did as the LORD com-
manded him; and the congregation was as-
sembled at the door of the tent of meeting.
5 And Moses said unto the congregation, This
is the thing which the LORD hath commanded
6 to be done. And Moses brought Aaron and
7 his sons, and washed them with water. And
he put upon him the coat, and girded him with
the girdle, and clothed him with the robe, and
put the ephod upon him, and he girded him with
the cunningly woven band of the ephod, and
8 bound it unto him therewith. And he placed
the breastplate upon him: and in the breast-
plate he put ¹the Urim and the Thummim.
9 And he set the ²mitre upon his head; and upon
the ²mitre, in front, did he set the golden plate,
the holy crown; as the LORD commanded Moses.
10 And Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed
the tabernacle and all that was therein, and
11 sanctified them. And he sprinkled thereof
upon the altar seven times, and anointed the
altar and all its vessels, and the laver and its
12 base, to sanctify them. And he poured of the
anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed
13 him, to sanctify him. And Moses brought
Aaron's sons, and clothed them with coats, and
girded them with girdles, and bound headties
upon them; as the LORD commanded Moses.
14 And he brought the bullock of the sin offering:
and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon
the head of the bullock of the sin offering.
15 And he slew it; and Moses took the blood,
and put it upon the horns of the altar round
about with his finger, and purified the altar,
and poured out the blood at the base of the
altar, and sanctified it, to make atonement for
16 it. And he took all the fat that was upon the

¹ That is,
the Lights
and the Per-
fections.

² Or, turban

inwards, and the caul of the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and Moses burned it upon the altar. But the bullock, and its skin, ¹⁷ and its flesh, and its dung, he burnt with fire without the camp; as the LORD commanded Moses. And he presented the ram of the burnt ¹⁸ offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram. And he ¹⁹ killed it: and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about. And he cut the ram ²⁰ into its pieces; and Moses burnt the head, and the pieces, and the fat. And he washed the ²¹ inwards and the legs with water; and Moses burnt the whole ram upon the altar: it was a burnt offering for a sweet savour: it was an offering made by fire unto the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses. And he presented the other ²² ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram. And he slew it; and Moses took of the ²³ blood thereof, and put it upon the tip of Aaron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot. And ²⁴ he brought Aaron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right ear, and upon the thumb of their right hand, and upon the great toe of their right foot: and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about. And he ²⁵ took the fat, and the fat tail, and all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul of the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and the right ²⁶ ¹thigh: and out of the basket of unleavened bread, that was before the LORD, he took one unleavened cake, and one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and placed them on the fat, and upon the right thigh: and he put the whole ²⁷ upon the hands of Aaron, and upon the hands of his sons, and waved them for a wave offering

¹ Or, *shoulder*

28 before the LORD. And Moses took them from off their hands, and burnt them on the altar upon the burnt offering: they were a consecration for a sweet savour: it was an offering made by fire
 29 unto the LORD. And Moses took the breast, and waved it for a wave offering before the LORD: it was Moses' portion of the ram of consecration; as
 30 the LORD commanded Moses. And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which was upon the altar, and sprinkled it upon Aaron, upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him; and sanctified Aaron, his garments, and his sons, and
 31 his sons' garments with him. And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons, Boil the flesh at the door of the tent of meeting: and there eat it and the bread that is in the basket of consecration, ¹as I commanded, saying, Aaron and
 32 his sons shall eat it. And that which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread shall ye burn with
 33 fire. And ye shall not go out from the door of the tent of meeting seven days, until the days of your consecration be fulfilled: for he shall ²consecrate you seven days. As hath been done this
 34 day, so the LORD hath commanded to do, to
 35 make atonement for you. And at the door of the tent of meeting shall ye abide day and night seven days, and keep the charge of the LORD, that ye die not: for so I am commanded.
 36 And Aaron and his sons did all the things which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

9 ¹ And it came to pass on the eighth day, that Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders
² of Israel; and he said unto Aaron, Take thee a bull calf for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering, without blemish, and offer them
³ before the LORD. And unto the children of

¹ The Sept., Onkelos and Syr. read, *as I am commanded.* See ver. 35, ch. x. 13.

² Heb. *fill your hand.*

Israel thou shalt speak, saying, Take ye a he-goat for a sin offering; and a calf and a lamb, both of the first year, without blemish, for a burnt offering; and an ox and a ram for peace 4 offerings, to sacrifice before the LORD; and a meal offering mingled with oil: for to-day the LORD appeareth unto you. And they brought 5 that which Moses commanded before the tent of meeting: and all the congregation drew near and stood before the LORD. And Moses said, 6 This is the thing which the LORD commanded that ye should do: and the glory of the LORD shall appear unto you. And Moses said unto 7 Aaron, Draw near unto the altar, and offer thy sin offering, and thy burnt offering, and make atonement for thyself, and for the people: and offer the oblation of the people, and make atonement for them; as the LORD commanded. So Aaron drew near unto the altar, and slew 8 the calf of the sin offering, which was for himself. And the sons of Aaron presented the 9 blood unto him: and he dipped his finger in the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the base of the altar: but the fat, and the kidneys, and the 10 caul from the liver of the sin offering, he burnt upon the altar; as the LORD commanded Moses. And the flesh and the skin he burnt with fire 11 without the camp. And he slew the burnt 12 offering; and Aaron's sons delivered unto him the blood, and he sprinkled it upon the altar round about. And they delivered the burnt 13 offering unto him, piece by piece, and the head: and he burnt them upon the altar. And he 14 washed the inwards and the legs, and burnt them upon the burnt offering on the altar. And 15 he presented the people's oblation, and took the goat of the sin offering which was for the people,

and slew it, and offered it for sin, as the first.
16 And he presented the burnt offering, and offered
17 it according to the ordinance. And he presented
the meal offering, and filled his hand therefrom,
and burnt it upon the altar, besides the burnt
18 offering of the morning. He slew also the ox
and the ram, the sacrifice of peace offerings,
which was for the people: and Aaron's sons
delivered unto him the blood, and he sprinkled
19 it upon the altar round about, and the fat of
the ox; and of the ram, the fat tail, and that
which covereth *the inwards*, and the kidneys,
20 and the caul of the liver: and they put the
fat upon the breasts, and he burnt the fat
21 upon the altar: and the breasts and the right
thigh Aaron waved for a wave offering be-
22 fore the LORD; as Moses commanded. And
Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people,
and blessed them; and he came down from
offering the sin offering, and the burnt offer-
23 ing, and the peace offerings. And Moses and
Aaron went into the tent of meeting, and came
out, and blessed the people: and the glory of
24 the LORD appeared unto all the people. And
there came forth fire from before the LORD,
and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering
and the fat: and when all the people saw it,
they shouted, and fell on their faces.

10 1 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron,
took each of them his censer, and put fire there-
in, and laid incense thereon, and offered strange
fire before the LORD, which he had not com-
2 manded them. And there came forth fire from
before the LORD, and devoured them, and they
3 died before the LORD. Then Moses said unto
Aaron, This is it that the LORD spake, saying,
I will be sanctified in them that ¹come nigh me,
and before all the people I will be glorified.

¹ Or, *are nigh*

And Aaron held his peace. And Moses called ⁴ Mishaël and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said unto them, Draw near, carry your brethren from before the sanctuary out of the camp. So they drew near, and carried ⁵ them in their coats out of the camp; as Moses had said. And Moses said unto Aaron, ⁶ and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons, ¹Let not the hair of your heads go loose, neither rend your clothes; that ye die not, and that he be not wroth with all the congregation: but let your brethren, the whole house of Israel, bewail the burning which the LORD hath kindled. And ye shall not go out from ⁷ the door of the tent of meeting, lest ye die: for the anointing oil of the LORD is upon you. And they did according to the word of Moses.

¹ Some ancient versions render, *Uncover not your heads.*

And the LORD spake unto Aaron, saying, ⁸ Drink no wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy ⁹ sons with thee, when ye go into the tent of meeting, that ye die not: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations: and ¹⁰ ²that ye may put difference between the holy and the common, and between the unclean and the clean; and ²that ye may teach the ¹¹ children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.

² Or, *ye shall*

And Moses spake unto Aaron, and unto ¹² Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons that were left, Take the meal offering that remaineth of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and eat it without leaven beside the altar: for it is most holy: and ye shall eat it in a holy place, because ¹³ it is thy due, and thy sons' due, of the offerings of the LORD made by fire: for so I am com-

14 manded. And the wave breast and the heave thigh shall ye eat in a clean place; thou, and thy sons, and thy daughters with thee: for they are given as thy due, and thy sons' due, out of the sacrifices of the peace offerings of the
15 children of Israel. The heave thigh and the wave breast shall they bring with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave it for a wave offering before the LORD: and it shall be thine, and thy sons' with thee, as a due for ever; as the LORD hath commanded.

16 And Moses diligently sought the goat of the sin offering, and, behold, it was burnt: and he was angry with Eleazar and with Ithamar, the
17 sons of Aaron that were left, saying, Wherefore have ye not eaten the sin offering in the place of the sanctuary, seeing it is most holy, and he hath given it you ¹to bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for them
18 before the LORD? Behold, the blood of it was not brought into the sanctuary within: ye should certainly have eaten it in the sanctuary, as I
19 commanded. And Aaron spake unto Moses, Behold, this day have they offered their sin offering and their burnt offering before the LORD; and there have befallen me such things as these: and if I had eaten the sin offering to-day, would it have been well-pleasing in the
20 sight of the LORD? And when Moses heard *that*, it was well-pleasing in his sight.

¹ Or, to take away

11 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses and to
² Aaron, saying unto them, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These are the living things which ye shall eat among all the beasts
³ that are on the earth. Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, *and* ²cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.

² Heb. *bringeth up*.

¹ Heb. *bring-
eth up*.

² Heb. *sha-
phan*, the *Hy-
rax Syriacus*
or *rockbadger*.

Nevertheless these shall ye not eat of them ⁴
that chew the cud, or of them that part the
hoof: the camel, because he ¹cheweth the cud
but parteth not the hoof, he is unclean unto
you. And the ²coney, because he ¹cheweth ⁵
the cud but parteth not the hoof, he is un-
clean unto you. And the hare, because she ⁶
¹cheweth the cud but parteth not the hoof, she
is unclean unto you. And the swine, because ⁷
he parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, but
¹cheweth not the cud, he is unclean unto you.
Of their flesh ye shall not eat, and their car- ⁸
cases ye shall not touch; they are unclean unto
you.

These shall ye eat of all that are in the ⁹
waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales in the
waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall
ye eat. And all that have not fins and scales ¹⁰
in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move
in the waters, and of all the living creatures
that are in the waters, they are an abomination
unto you, and they shall be an abomination ¹¹
unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, and
their carcasses ye shall have in abomination.
Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the ¹²
waters, that is an abomination unto you.

³ Or, *great
vulture*

⁴ Heb. *tah-
mas*, of uncer-
tain meaning.

⁵ Or, *swan*

⁶ Or, *ibis*

And these ye shall have in abomination ¹³
among the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they
are an abomination: the ³eagle, and the gier
eagle, and the ospray; and the kite, and the ¹⁴
falcon after its kind; every raven after its kind; ¹⁵
and the ostrich, and the ⁴night hawk, and the ¹⁶
seamew, and the hawk after its kind; and the ¹⁷
little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl;
and the ⁵horned owl, and the pelican, and the ¹⁸
vulture; and the stork, the ⁶heron after its kind, ¹⁹
and the hoopoe, and the bat.

All winged creeping things that go upon all ²⁰

21 four are an abomination unto you. Yet these may ye eat of all winged creeping things that go upon all four, which have legs above their
22 feet, to leap withal upon the earth; even these of them ye may eat; the ¹locust after its kind, and the ¹bald locust after its kind, and the ¹cricket after its kind, and the ¹grasshopper after
23 its kind. But all winged creeping things, which have four feet, are an abomination unto you.

¹ Four kinds of locusts or grasshoppers, which are not certainly known.

24 And by these ye shall become unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be
25 unclean until the even: and whosoever beareth *aught* of the carcase of them shall wash his
26 clothes, and be unclean until the even. Every beast which parteth the hoof, and is not cloven-footed, nor cheweth the cud, is unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.
27 And whatsoever goeth upon its paws, among all beasts that go on all four, they are unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their carcase shall
28 be unclean until the even. And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they are unclean unto you.

29 And these are they which are unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth; the weasel, and the mouse, and the
30 great lizard after its kind, and the ²gecko, and the ²land-crocodile, and the ²lizard, and the ²sand-
31 lizard, and the chameleon. These are they which are unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth touch them, when they are
32 dead, shall be unclean until the even. And upon whatsoever any of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether it be any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel it be, wherewith any work is done, it must be put into water, and it

² Words of uncertain meaning, but probably denoting four kinds of lizards.

shall be unclean until the even; then shall it be clean. And every earthen vessel, whereinto 33 any of them falleth, whatsoever is in it shall be unclean, and it ye shall break. All food 34 *therein* which may be eaten, that on which water cometh, shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every *such* vessel shall be unclean. And every thing whereupon *any* 35 *part* of their carcase falleth shall be unclean; whether oven, or ¹range for pots, it shall be broken in pieces: they are unclean, and shall be unclean unto you. Nevertheless a fountain 36 or a ²pit wherein is a gathering of water shall be clean: but ³that which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean. And if *aught* of their car- 37 case fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it is clean. But if water be put upon the 38 seed, and *aught* of their carcase fall thereon, it is unclean unto you.

¹ Or, *stewpan*

² Or, *cistern*

³ Or, *he who*

And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; 39 he that toucheth the carcase thereof shall be unclean until the even. And he that eateth of 40 the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: he also that beareth the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

And every creeping thing that creepeth upon 41 the earth is an abomination; it shall not be eaten. Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and 42 whatsoever goeth upon all four, or whatsoever hath many feet, even all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; for they are an abomination. Ye shall not 43 make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby. For I am the LORD your 44 God: sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye

holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that
45 moveth upon the earth. For I am the LORD that brought you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

46 This is the law of the beast, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon
47 the earth: to make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the living thing that may be eaten and the living thing that may not be eaten.

12 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
² Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman conceive seed, and bear a man child, then she shall be unclean seven days; as in the days of the ¹impurity of her sickness shall she
³ be unclean. And in the eighth day the flesh
⁴ of his foreskin shall be circumcised. And she shall continue in the blood of *her* purifying three and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until
⁵ the days of her purifying be fulfilled. But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her ¹impurity: and she shall continue in the blood of *her* purifying three-
⁶ score and six days. And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, she shall bring a lamb of the first year for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove, for a sin offering, unto the door
⁷ of the tent of meeting, unto the priest: and he shall offer it before the LORD, and make atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the fountain of her blood. This is the law for her that beareth, whether a male or

¹ Or, *separation*

a female. And if her means suffice not for a 8
lamb, then she shall take two turtledoves, or
two young pigeons; the one for a burnt
offering, and the other for a sin offering: and
the priest shall make atonement for her, and
she shall be clean.

And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto 1 **13**
Aaron, saying, When a man shall have in the 2
skin of his flesh a rising, or a scab, or a bright
spot, and it become in the skin of his flesh the
plague of leprosy, then he shall be brought unto
Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the
priests: and the priest shall look on the plague 3
in the skin of the flesh: and if the hair in the
plague be turned white, and the appearance of
the plague be deeper than the skin of his flesh,
it is the plague of leprosy: and the priest shall
look on him, and pronounce him unclean. And 4
if the bright spot be white in the skin of his
flesh, and the appearance thereof be not deeper
than the skin, and the hair thereof be not
turned white, then the priest shall shut up *him*
that hath the plague seven days: and the priest 5
shall look on him the seventh day: and, behold,
if in his eyes the plague be at a stay, and the
plague be not spread in the skin, then the
priest shall shut him up seven days more: and 6
the priest shall look on him again the seventh
day: and, behold, if the plague be dim, and
the plague be not spread in the skin, then
the priest shall pronounce him clean: it is a
scab: and he shall wash his clothes, and be
clean. But if the scab spread abroad in the 7
skin, after that he hath shewn himself to the
priest for his cleansing, he shall shew himself to
the priest again: and the priest shall look, and, 8
behold, if the scab be spread in the skin, then

the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is leprosy.

9 When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then
10 he shall be brought unto the priest; and the priest shall look, and, behold, if there be a white rising in the skin, and it have turned the hair white, and there be quick raw flesh in the
11 rising, it is an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean: he shall not shut him up; for he is un-
12 clean. And if the leprosy break out abroad in the skin, and the leprosy cover all the skin of *him that hath* the plague from his head even to
13 his feet, as far as appeareth to the priest; then the priest shall look: and, behold, if the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce *him clean that hath* the plague: it is all turned
14 white: he is clean. But whensoever raw flesh
15 appeareth in him, he shall be unclean. And the priest shall look on the raw flesh, and pronounce him unclean: the raw flesh is un-
16 clean: it is leprosy. Or if the raw flesh turn again, and be changed unto white, then he
17 shall come unto the priest, and the priest shall look on him: and, behold, if the plague be turned into white, then the priest shall pronounce *him clean that hath* the plague: he is clean.

18 And when the flesh hath in the skin thereof
19 a boil, and it is healed, and in the place of the boil there is a white rising, or a bright spot, reddish-white, then it shall be shewed to the
20 priest; and the priest shall look, and, behold, if the appearance thereof be lower than the skin, and the hair thereof be turned white, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is the plague of leprosy, it hath broken out in the
21 boil. But if the priest look on it, and, behold,

there be no white hairs therein, and it be not lower than the skin, but be dim, then the priest shall shut him up seven days: and if it spread 22 abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a plague. But if the 23 bright spot stay in its place, and be not spread, it is the scar of the boil; and the priest shall pronounce him clean.

Or when the flesh hath in the skin thereof 24 a burning by fire, and the quick *flesh* of the burning become a bright spot, reddish-white, or white; then the priest shall look upon it: and, 25 behold, if the hair in the bright spot be turned white, and the appearance thereof be deeper than the skin; it is leprosy, it hath broken out in the burning: and the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is the plague of leprosy. But 26 if the priest look on it, and, behold, there be no white hair in the bright spot, and it be no lower than the skin, but be dim; then the priest shall shut him up seven days: and the priest shall 27 look upon him the seventh day: if it spread abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is the plague of leprosy. And if the bright spot stay in its place, and 28 be not spread in the skin, but be dim; it is the rising of the burning, and the priest shall pronounce him clean: for it is the scar of the burning.

And when a man or woman hath a plague 29 upon the head or upon the beard, then the 30 priest shall look on the plague: and, behold, if the appearance thereof be deeper than the skin, and there be in it yellow thin hair, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a scall, it is leprosy of the head or of the beard. And 31 if the priest look on the plague of the scall, and, behold, the appearance thereof be not deeper

than the skin, and there be no black hair in it, then the priest shall shut up *him that hath* the
32 plague of the scall seven days: and in the seventh day the priest shall look on the plague: and, behold, if the scall be not spread, and there be in it no yellow hair, and the appearance of the scall be not deeper than the
33 skin, then he shall be shaven, but the scall shall he not shave; and the priest shall shut up
34 *him that hath* the scall seven days more: and in the seventh day the priest shall look on the scall: and, behold, if the scall be not spread in the skin, and the appearance thereof be not deeper than the skin; then the priest shall pronounce him clean: and he shall wash his
35 clothes, and be clean. But if the scall spread
36 abroad in the skin after his cleansing; then the priest shall look on him: and, behold, if the scall be spread in the skin, the priest shall not
37 seek for the yellow hair; he is unclean. But if in his eyes the scall be at a stay, and black hair be grown up therein; the scall is healed, he is clean: and the priest shall pronounce him clean.

38 And when a man or a woman hath in the skin of their flesh bright spots, even white
39 bright spots; then the priest shall look: and, behold, if the bright spots in the skin of their flesh be of a dull white; it is a tetter, it hath broken out in the skin; he is clean.

40 And if a man's hair be fallen off his head, he
41 is bald; *yet* is he clean. And if his hair be fallen off from the front part of his head, he is
42 forehead bald; *yet* is he clean. But if there be in the bald head, or the bald forehead, a reddish-white plague; it is leprosy breaking out in
43 his bald head, or his bald forehead. Then the priest shall look upon him: and, behold, if the

rising of the plague be reddish-white in his bald head, or in his bald forehead, as the appearance of leprosy in the skin of the flesh; he is a 44 leprous man, he is unclean: the priest shall surely pronounce him unclean; his plague is in his head.

And the leper in whom the plague is, his 45 clothes shall be rent, and ¹the hair of his head shall go loose, and he shall cover his upper lip, and shall cry, Unclean, unclean. All the days 46 wherein the plague is in him he shall be unclean; he is unclean: he shall dwell alone; without the camp shall his dwelling be.

² Or, *woven or knitted stuff*
(and in vv. 49, &c.)

The garment also that the plague of leprosy 47 is in, whether it be a woollen garment, or a linen garment; whether it be in ²warp, or woof; 48 of linen, or of woollen; whether in a skin, or in any thing made of skin; if the plague be 49 greenish or reddish in the garment, or in the skin, or in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin; it is the plague of leprosy, and shall be shewed unto the priest: and the priest 50 shall look upon the plague, and shut up *that which hath* the plague seven days: and he shall 51 look on the plague on the seventh day: if the plague be spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in the skin, whatever service skin is used for; the plague is a fretting leprosy; it is unclean. And he shall burn the 52 garment, whether the warp or the woof, in woollen or in linen, or any thing of skin, wherein the plague is: for it is a fretting leprosy; it shall be burnt in the fire. And if the priest 53 shall look, and, behold, the plague be not spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin; then the 54 priest shall command that they wash the thing wherein the plague is, and he shall shut it up

55 seven days more: and the priest shall look, after that the plague is washed: and, behold, if the plague have not changed its colour, and the plague be not spread, it is unclean; thou shalt burn it in the fire: it is a fret, ¹whether
 56 the bareness be within or without. And if the priest look, and, behold, the plague be dim after the washing thereof, then he shall rend it out of the garment, or out of the skin, or out of
 57 the warp, or out of the woof: and if it appear still in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin, it is breaking out: thou shalt burn that wherein the plague is
 58 with fire. And the garment, either the warp, or the woof, or whatsoever thing of skin it be, which thou shalt wash, if the plague be departed from them, then it shall be washed the
 59 second time, and shall be clean. This is the law of the plague of leprosy in a garment of woollen or linen, either in the warp, or the woof, or any thing of skin, to pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean.

¹ Heb. whether it be bald in the head thereof, or in the forehead thereof.

14 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
² This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing: he shall be brought unto the
³ priest: and the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look, and, behold, if the plague of leprosy be healed in the
⁴ leper; then shall the priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed two living clean birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop:
⁵ and the priest shall command to kill one of the birds in an earthen vessel over ²running water: ³ Heb. living.
⁶ as for the living bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird that was killed over the ²running

water: and he shall sprinkle upon him that is 7
to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times,
and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let
go the living bird into the open field. And 8
he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes,
and shave off all his hair, and bathe himself in
water, and he shall be clean: and after that he
shall come into the camp, but shall dwell out-
side his tent seven days. And it shall be on the 9
seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off
his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even
all his hair he shall shave off: and he shall wash
his clothes, and he shall bathe his flesh in water,
and he shall be clean. And on the eighth day 10
he shall take two he-lambs without blemish, and
one ewe-lamb of the first year without blemish,
and three tenth parts *of an ephah* of fine flour
for a meal offering, mingled with oil, and one log
of oil. And the priest that cleanseth him shall 11
set the man that is to be cleansed, and those
things, before the LORD, at the door of the tent
of meeting: and the priest shall take one of the 12
he-lambs, and offer him for a guilt offering, and
the log of oil, and wave them for a wave
offering before the LORD: and he shall kill the 13
he-lamb in the place where they kill the sin
offering and the burnt offering, in the place of
the sanctuary: for as the sin offering is the
priest's, so is the guilt offering: it is most holy:
and the priest shall take of the blood of the 14
guilt offering, and the priest shall put it upon
the tip of the right ear of him that is to be
cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand,
and upon the great toe of his right foot: and 15
the priest shall take of the log of oil, and pour
it into the palm of his own left hand: and the 16
priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that
is in his left hand, and shall sprinkle of the oil

- with his finger seven times before the LORD:
17 and of the rest of the oil that is in his hand shall the priest put upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the blood of the
18 guilt offering: and the rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall put upon the head of him that is to be cleansed: and the priest shall make atonement for him before the LORD.
19 And the priest shall offer the sin offering, and make atonement for him that is to be cleansed because of his uncleanness; and afterward he
20 shall kill the burnt offering: and the priest shall offer the burnt offering and the meal offering upon the altar: and the priest shall make atonement for him, and he shall be clean.
21 And if he be poor, and cannot get so much, then he shall take one he-lamb for a guilt offering to be waved, to make atonement for him, and one tenth part *of an ephah* of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal offering, and a log of
22 oil; and two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, such as he is able to get; and the one shall be a sin offering, and the other a burnt offering.
23 And on the eighth day he shall bring them for his cleansing unto the priest, unto the door
24 of the tent of meeting, before the LORD. And the priest shall take the lamb of the guilt offering, and the log of oil, and the priest shall wave them
25 for a wave offering before the LORD: and he shall kill the lamb of the guilt offering, and the priest shall take of the blood of the guilt offering, and put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his
26 right foot: and the priest shall pour of the oil
27 into the palm of his own left hand: and the

priest shall sprinkle with his right finger some of the oil that is in his left hand seven times before the LORD: and the priest shall put of 28 the oil that is in his hand upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the place of the blood of the guilt offering: and the rest 29 of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall put upon the head of him that is to be cleansed, to make atonement for him before the LORD. And he shall offer one of the turtledoves, or 30 of the young pigeons, such as he is able to get; even such as he is able to get, the one 31 for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, with the meal offering: and the priest shall make atonement for him that is to be cleansed before the LORD. This is the law of 32 him in whom is the plague of leprosy, who is not able to get *that which pertaineth* to his cleansing.

And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto 33 Aaron, saying, When ye be come into the land 34 of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession, and I put the plague of leprosy in a house of the land of your possession; then he that owneth 35 the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, There seemeth to me to be as it were a plague in the house: and the priest shall command 36 that they empty the house, before the priest go in to see the plague, that all that is in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest shall go in to see the house: and he 37 shall look on the plague, and, behold, if the plague be in the walls of the house with hollow strakes, greenish or reddish, and the appearance thereof be lower than the wall; then the priest 38 shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house seven days: and 39

the priest shall come again the seventh day, and shall look: and, behold, if the plague be
40 spread in the walls of the house; then the priest shall command that they take out the stones in which the plague is, and cast them into an
41 unclean place without the city: and he shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they shall pour out the mortar that they scrape off without the city into an unclean
42 place: and they shall take other stones, and put them in the place of those stones; and he shall take other mortar, and shall plaister the
43 house. And if the plague come again, and break out in the house, after that he hath taken out the stones, and after he hath scraped
44 the house, and after it is plaistered; then the priest shall come in and look, and, behold, if the plague be spread in the house, it is a
45 fretting leprosy in the house: it is unclean. And he shall break down the house, the stones of it, and the timber thereof, and all the mortar of the house; and he shall carry them forth out
46 of the city into an unclean place. Moreover he that goeth into the house all the while that it is shut up shall be unclean until the even.
47 And he that lieth in the house shall wash his clothes; and he that eateth in the house shall
48 wash his clothes. And if the priest shall come in, and look, and, behold, the plague hath not spread in the house, after the house was plaistered; then the priest shall pronounce the house clean,
49 because the plague is healed. And he shall take to cleanse the house two birds, and cedar
50 wood, and scarlet, and hyssop: and he shall kill one of the birds in an earthen vessel over
51 ¹running water: and he shall take the cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living
bird, and dip them in the blood of the slain

¹ Heb. *living*.

¹ Heb. *living*.

bird, and in the ¹running water, and sprinkle the house seven times: and he shall cleanse the ⁵² house with the blood of the bird, and with the ¹running water, and with the living bird, and with the cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and with the scarlet: but he shall let go the living ⁵³ bird out of the city into the open field: so shall he make atonement for the house: and it shall be clean.

This is the law for all manner of plague of ⁵⁴ leprosy, and for a scall; and for the leprosy of ⁵⁵ a garment, and for a house; and for a rising, ⁵⁶ and for a scab, and for a bright spot: to teach ⁵⁷ when it is unclean, and when it is clean: this is the law of leprosy.

And the LORD spake unto Moses and to ¹ **15** Aaron, saying, Speak unto the children of ² Israel, and say unto them, When any man hath an issue out of his flesh, because of his issue he is unclean. And this shall be his uncleanness ³ in his issue: whether his flesh run with his issue, or his flesh be stopped from his issue, it is his uncleanness. Every bed whereon he ⁴ that hath the issue lieth shall be unclean: and every thing whereon he sitteth shall be unclean. And whosoever toucheth his bed shall wash ⁵ his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. And he that sitteth ⁶ on any thing whereon he that hath the issue sat shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. And ⁷ he that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even. And if he that hath the issue spit upon him that ⁸ is clean; then he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until

- 9 the even. And what ¹saddle soever he that hath
10 the issue rideth upon shall be unclean. And
whosoever toucheth any thing that was under
him shall be unclean until the even: and he
that beareth those things shall wash his clothes,
and bathe himself in water, and be unclean
11 until the even. And whomsoever he that hath
the issue toucheth, without having rinsed his
hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and
bathe himself in water, and be unclean until
12 the even. And the earthen vessel, which he
that hath the issue toucheth, shall be broken:
and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in
13 water. And when he that hath an issue is
cleansed of his issue, then he shall number to
himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash
his clothes; and he shall bathe his flesh in
14 ²running water, and shall be clean. And on ² Heb. *living*.
the eighth day he shall take to him two
turtledoves, or two young pigeons, and come
before the LORD unto the door of the tent of
15 meeting, and give them unto the priest: and
the priest shall offer them, the one for a sin
offering, and the other for a burnt offering; and
the priest shall make atonement for him before
the LORD for his issue.
- 16 And if any man's seed of copulation go out
from him, then he shall bathe all his flesh in
17 water, and be unclean until the even. And
every garment, and every skin, whereon is the
seed of copulation, shall be washed with water,
18 and be unclean until the even. The woman
also with whom a man shall lie with seed of
copulation, they shall both bathe themselves in
water, and be unclean until the even.
- 19 And if a woman have an issue, *and* her issue
in her flesh be blood, she shall be in her ³im- ³ Or, *separa-*
purity seven days: and whosoever toucheth her *tion*

¹ Or,
separation

shall be unclean until the even. And every ²⁰
thing that she lieth upon in her ¹impurity shall
be unclean: every thing also that she sitteth
upon shall be unclean. And whosoever toucheth ²¹
her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself
in water, and be unclean until the even. And ²²
whosoever toucheth any thing that she sitteth
upon shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself
in water, and be unclean until the even. And ²³
if it be on the bed, or on any thing whereon she
sitteth, when he toucheth it, he shall be unclean
until the even. And if any man lie with her, ²⁴
and her impurity be upon him, he shall be
unclean seven days; and every bed whereon he
lieth shall be unclean.

And if a woman have an issue of her blood ²⁵
many days not in the time of her impurity, or if
she have an issue beyond the time of her im-
purity; all the days of the issue of her unclean-
ness she shall be as in the days of her impurity:
she is unclean. Every bed whereon she lieth ²⁶
all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the
bed of her impurity: and every thing whereon
she sitteth shall be unclean, as the uncleanness
of her impurity. And whosoever toucheth those ²⁷
things shall be unclean, and shall wash his
clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be un-
clean until the even. But if she be cleansed of ²⁸
her issue, then she shall number to herself
seven days, and after that she shall be clean.
And on the eighth day she shall take unto her ²⁹
two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, and
bring them unto the priest, to the door of the
tent of meeting. And the priest shall offer the ³⁰
one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt
offering; and the priest shall make atonement
for her before the LORD for the issue of her
uncleanness.

31 Thus shall ye separate the children of Israel from their uncleanness ; that they die not in their uncleanness, when they defile my tabernacle that is in the midst of them.

32 This is the law of him that hath an issue, and of him whose seed of copulation goeth
33 from him, so that he is unclean thereby ; and of her that is sick with her impurity, and of him that hath an issue, of the man, and of the woman, and of him that lieth with her that is unclean.

16 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they
2 drew near before the LORD, and died ; and the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the holy place within the veil, before the mercy-seat which is upon the ark ; that he die not : for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy-seat.
3 Herewith shall Aaron come into the holy place : with a young bullock for a sin offering, and a
4 ram for a burnt offering. He shall put on the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with the linen girdle, and with the linen ¹mitre
shall he be attired : they are the holy garments ;
and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and put
5 them on. And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two he-goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.
6 And Aaron shall present the bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make atone-
7 ment for himself, and for his house. And he shall take the two goats, and set them before the LORD at the door of the tent of meeting.
8 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats ; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for

¹ Or, turban

¹Or, *dismissal* ¹Azazel. And Aaron shall present the goat upon 9
which the lot fell for the LORD, and offer him
for a sin offering. But the goat, on which the 10
lot fell for Azazel, shall be set alive before the
²Or, *over* LORD, to make atonement ²for him, to send him
away for Azazel into the wilderness. And Aaron 11
shall present the bullock of the sin offering,
which is for himself, and shall make atonement
for himself, and for his house, and shall kill
the bullock of the sin offering which is for him-
self: and he shall take a censer full of coals of 12
fire from off the altar before the LORD, and his
hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and
bring it within the veil: and he shall put the 13
incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the
cloud of the incense may cover the mercy-seat
that is upon the testimony, that he die not: and 14
he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and
sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy-seat
on the east; and before the mercy-seat shall he
sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven
times. Then shall he kill the goat of the sin 15
offering, that is for the people, and bring his
blood within the veil, and do with his blood as
he did with the blood of the bullock, and
sprinkle it upon the mercy-seat, and before the
mercy-seat: and he shall make atonement for 16
the holy place, because of the uncleannesses of
the children of Israel, and because of their
transgressions, even all their sins: and so shall
he do for the tent of meeting, that dwelleth with
them in the midst of their uncleannesses. And 17
there shall be no man in the tent of meeting
when he goeth in to make atonement in the
holy place, until he come out, and have made
atonement for himself, and for his household,
and for all the assembly of Israel. And he 18
shall go out unto the altar that is before the

LORD, and make atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put it upon the horns of
19 the altar round about. And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the unclean-
20 nesses of the children of Israel. And when he hath made an end of atoning for the holy place, and the tent of meeting, and the altar, he shall
21 present the live goat: and Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, even all their sins; and he shall put them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a man ¹that is in readiness into the
22 wilderness: and the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a solitary land: and he shall
23 let go the goat in the wilderness. And Aaron shall come into the tent of meeting, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy place, and shall
24 leave them there: and he shall bathe his flesh in water in a holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, and make atonement for himself and for the
25 people. And the fat of the sin offering shall he
26 burn upon the altar. And he that letteth go the goat for Azazel shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall
27 come into the camp. And the bullock of the sin offering, and the goat of the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy place, shall be carried forth without the camp; and they shall burn in the fire their
28 skins, and their flesh, and their dung. And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and

¹ Or, appointed

bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

And it shall be a statute for ever unto you : 29
in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the
month, ye shall afflict your souls, and shall do no
manner of work, the homeborn, or the stranger
that sojourneth among you : for on this day 30
shall atonement be made for you, to cleanse
you ; from all your sins shall ye be clean before
the LORD. It is a sabbath of solemn rest unto 31
you, and ye shall afflict your souls ; it is a statute
for ever. And the priest, who shall be anointed 32
and who shall be consecrated to be priest in his
father's stead, shall make the atonement, and
shall put on the linen garments, even the holy
garments : and he shall make atonement for 33
the holy sanctuary, and he shall make atone-
ment for the tent of meeting and for the altar ;
and he shall make atonement for the priests
and for all the people of the assembly. And 34
this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to
make atonement for the children of Israel be-
cause of all their sins once in the year. And
he did as the LORD commanded Moses.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 1 **17**
Speak unto Aaron, and unto his sons, and unto 2
all the children of Israel, and say unto them ;
This is the thing which the LORD hath com-
manded, saying, What man soever there be of 3
the house of Israel, that killeth an ox, or lamb,
or goat, in the camp, or that killeth it without
the camp, and hath not brought it unto the 4
door of the tent of meeting, to offer it as an
oblation unto the LORD before the tabernacle of
the LORD : blood shall be imputed unto that
man ; he hath shed blood ; and that man shall
be cut off from among his people : to the end 5

that the children of Israel may bring their sacrifices, which they sacrifice in the open field, even that they may bring them unto the LORD, unto the door of the tent of meeting, unto the priest, and sacrifice them for sacrifices of peace
6 offerings unto the LORD. And the priest shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of the LORD at the door of the tent of meeting, and burn
7 the fat for a sweet savour unto the LORD. And they shall no more sacrifice their sacrifices unto the ¹he-goats, after whom they go a whoring. ¹ Or, *satyrs*
This shall be a statute for ever unto them throughout their generations.

8 And thou shalt say unto them, Whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among them, that offereth
9 a burnt offering or sacrifice, and bringeth it not unto the door of the tent of meeting, to sacrifice it unto the LORD; even that man shall be cut off from his people.

10 And whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among them, that eateth any manner of blood; I will set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his
11 people. For the ²life of the flesh is in the ² Heb. *soul*.
blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh atonement by reason

12 of the ²life. Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.

13 And whatsoever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among them, which taketh in hunting any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust.

For as to the life of all flesh, the blood thereof ¹⁴ is *all one* with the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh is the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off. And every soul that eateth ¹⁵ ¹that which dieth of itself, or that which is torn of beasts, whether he be homeborn or a stranger, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean. But if he wash them not, ¹⁶ nor bathe his flesh, then he shall bear his iniquity.

¹ Heb. *a car-case*.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **18** Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto ² them, I am the LORD your God. After the ³ doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and after the doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their statutes. My judgements shall ye do, and my statutes ⁴ shall ye keep, to walk therein: I am the LORD your God. Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, ⁵ and my judgements: which if a man do, he shall live ²in them: I am the LORD.

² Or, *by*

None of you shall approach to any that is ⁶ near of kin to him, to uncover *their* nakedness: I am the LORD. The nakedness of thy father, ⁷ even the nakedness of thy mother, shalt thou not uncover: she is thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness. The nakedness of thy ⁸ father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it is thy father's nakedness. The nakedness of thy ⁹ sister, the daughter of thy father, or the daughter of thy mother, whether born at home, or born abroad, even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover. The nakedness of thy son's daughter, ¹⁰

- or of thy daughter's daughter, even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for theirs is thine
 11 own nakedness. The nakedness of thy father's wife's daughter, begotten of thy father, she is thy sister, thou shalt not uncover her naked-
 12 ness. Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister: she is thy father's near
 13 kinswoman. Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for she is thy
 14 mother's near kinswoman. Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother, thou shalt not approach to his wife: she is
 15 thine aunt. Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: she is thy son's wife; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
 16 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it is thy brother's nakedness.
 17 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter; thou shalt not take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; they are near kins-
 18 women: it is ¹wickedness. And thou shalt not ¹ Or, enormity
 take a woman to her sister, to be a rival *to her*, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in
 19 her life time. And thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as
 20 she is ²impure by her uncleanness. And thou ² Or, separated
 shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife, ^{for}
 21 to defile thyself with her. And thou shalt not give any of thy seed ³to make them pass through ³ Or, to set
the fire to Molech, neither shalt thou profane the *Molech*
 22 name of thy God: I am the LORD. Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is
 23 abomination. And thou shalt not lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast, to lie down thereto: it is confusion.
 24 Defile not ye yourselves in any of these

things : for in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out from before you : and the land ²⁵ is defiled : therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and the land vomiteth out her inhabitants. Ye therefore shall keep my statutes and my judgements, and shall not do any of these abominations ; neither the homeborn, nor the stranger that sojourneth among you : (for all these abominations have the men of the ²⁷ land done, which were before you, and the land is defiled ;) that the land vomit not you out ²⁸ also, when ye defile it, as it vomited out the nation that was before you. For whosoever ²⁹ shall do any of these abominations, even the souls that do them shall be cut off from among their people. Therefore shall ye keep my ³⁰ charge, that ye do not any of these abominable customs, which were done before you, and that ye defile not yourselves therein : I am the LORD your God.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **19** Speak unto all the congregation of the children ² of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy : for I the LORD your God am holy. Ye shall ³ fear every man his mother, and his father, and ye shall keep my sabbaths : I am the LORD your God. Turn ye not unto ⁴ ¹idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods : I am the LORD your God. And when ye offer a sacrifice of peace ⁵ offerings unto the LORD, ye shall offer it that ye may be accepted. It shall be eaten the same ⁶ day ye offer it, and on the morrow : and if aught remain until the third day, it shall be burnt with fire. And if it be eaten at all on ⁷ the third day, it is an abomination ; it shall not be accepted : but every one that eateth it shall ⁸ bear his iniquity, because he hath profaned the

¹ Heb. *things of nought*.
See Jer. xiv.
14.

holy thing of the LORD : and that soul shall be cut off from his people.

- 9 And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of
10 thy harvest. And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather the fallen fruit of thy vineyard ; thou shalt leave them for the poor and for the stranger : I am the LORD
11 your God. Ye shall not steal ; neither shall ye
12 deal falsely, nor lie one to another. And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, so that thou profane the name of thy God : I am the
13 LORD. Thou shalt not oppress thy neighbour, nor rob him : the wages of a hired servant shall not abide with thee all night until the
14 morning. Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but thou
15 shalt fear thy God : I am the LORD. Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgement : thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty : but in righteousness
16 shalt thou judge thy neighbour. Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people : neither shalt thou stand against the
17 blood of thy neighbour : I am the LORD. Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart : thou shalt surely rebuke thy neighbour, and not bear
18 sin because of him. Thou shalt not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour
19 as thyself : I am the LORD. Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind : thou shalt not sow thy field with two kinds of seed : neither shall there come upon thee a garment of two kinds of stuff mingled together. And whosoever lieth carnally
20 with a woman, that is a bondmaid, betrothed to

¹ Heb. *there shall be inquisition.*

an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; ¹they shall be punished; they shall not be put to death, because she was not free. And he shall bring his guilt offering unto the LORD, unto the door of the tent of meeting, even a ram for a guilt offering. And the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the guilt offering before the LORD for his sin which he hath sinned: and he shall be forgiven for his sin which he hath sinned. And when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food, then ye shall count the fruit thereof as their uncircumcision: three years shall they be as uncircumcised unto you; it shall not be eaten. But in the fourth year all the fruit thereof shall be holy, for giving praise unto the LORD. And in the fifth year shall ye eat of the fruit thereof, that it may yield unto you the increase thereof: I am the LORD your God. Ye shall not eat any thing with the blood: neither shall ye use enchantments, nor practise augury. Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard. Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I am the LORD. Profane not thy daughter, to make her a harlot; lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of ²wickedness. Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD. Turn ye not unto them that have familiar spirits, nor unto the wizards; seek them not out, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God. Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and thou shalt fear thy God: I am the LORD. And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not do him wrong. The stranger

² Or, *enormity*

that sojourneth with you shall be unto you as the homeborn among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the
35 land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God. Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgement, in
36 meteyard, in weight, or in measure. Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.
37 And ye shall observe all my statutes, and all my judgements, and do them: I am the LORD.

20 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Moreover, thou shalt say to the children of Israel, Whosoever he be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth of his seed unto Molech; he shall surely be put to death: the people of the land
3 shall stone him with stones. I also will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people; because he hath given of his seed unto Molech, to defile my sanctuary,
4 and to profane my holy name. And if the people of the land do any ways hide their eyes from that man, when he giveth of his seed unto
5 Molech, and put him not to death: then I will set my face against that man, and against his family, and will cut him off, and all that go a whoring after him, to commit whoredom with
6 Molech, from among their people. And the soul that turneth unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto the wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.
7 Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy:
8 for I am the LORD your God. And ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: I am the LORD
9 which sanctify you. For every one that curseth his father or his mother shall surely be put to

death : he hath cursed his father or his mother ;
his blood shall be upon him. And the man ¹⁰
that committeth adultery with another man's
wife, even he that committeth adultery with his
neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress
shall surely be put to death. And the man ¹¹
that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered
his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely
be put to death ; their blood shall be upon
them. And if a man lie with his daughter in ¹²
law, both of them shall surely be put to death :
they have wrought confusion ; their blood shall
be upon them. And if a man lie with mankind, ¹³
as with womankind, both of them have com-
mitted abomination : they shall surely be put to
death ; their blood shall be upon them. And if ¹⁴
¹ Or, enormity a man take a wife and her mother, it is ¹wicked-
ness : they shall be burnt with fire, both he and
they ; that there be no wickedness among you.
And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely ¹⁵
be put to death : and ye shall slay the beast.
And if a woman approach unto any beast, and ¹⁶
lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and
the beast : they shall surely be put to death ;
their blood shall be upon them. And if a man ¹⁷
shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his
mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and
she see his nakedness ; it is a shameful thing ;
and they shall be cut off in the sight of the
children of their people : he hath uncovered his
sister's nakedness ; he shall bear his iniquity.
And if a man shall lie with a woman having her ¹⁸
sickness, and shall uncover her nakedness ; he
hath made naked her fountain, and she hath
uncovered the fountain of her blood : and both
of them shall be cut off from among their
people. And thou shalt not uncover the naked- ¹⁹
ness of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's

sister : for he hath made naked his near kin :
20 they shall bear their iniquity. And if a man
shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered
his uncle's nakedness : they shall bear their sin ;
21 they shall die childless. And if a man shall
take his brother's wife, it is impurity : he hath
uncovered his brother's nakedness ; they shall
be childless.

22 Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and
all my judgements, and do them : that the
land, whither I bring you to dwell therein,
23 vomit you not out. And ye shall not walk
in the customs of the nation, which I cast
out before you : for they did all these things,
24 and therefore I abhorred them. But I have
said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I
will give it unto you to possess it, a land flowing
with milk and honey : I am the LORD your
God, which have separated you from the peoples.

25 Ye shall therefore separate between the clean
beast and the unclean, and between the unclean
fowl and the clean : and ye shall not make
your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or
by any thing wherewith the ground ¹teemeth,
which I have separated from you as unclean.

¹ Heb. *creep-
eth.*

26 And ye shall be holy unto me : for I the LORD
am holy, and have separated you from the
peoples, that ye should be mine.

27 A man also or a woman that hath a familiar
spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to
death : they shall stone them with stones : their
blood shall be upon them.

21 1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto
the priests the sons of Aaron, and say unto
them, There shall none defile himself for the
2 dead among his people ; except for his kin, that is
near unto him, for his mother, and for his father,

and for his son, and for his daughter, and for his brother; and for his sister a virgin, that is 3 near unto him, which hath had no husband, for her may he defile himself. He shall not defile 4 himself, ¹*being* a chief man among his people, to profane himself. They shall not make baldness 5 upon their head, neither shall they shave off the corner of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh. They shall be holy unto their God, 6 and not profane the name of their God: for the offerings of the LORD made by fire, the bread of their God, they do offer: therefore they shall be holy. They shall not take a woman that is 7

¹ Or, as a husband
The Sept. has, on a sudden.

² Or, polluted

a harlot, or ²profane; neither shall they take a woman put away from her husband: for he is holy unto his God. Thou shalt sanctify him 8 therefore; for he offereth the bread of thy God: he shall be holy unto thee: for I the LORD, which sanctify you, am holy. And the daughter 9 of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the harlot, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.

And he that is the high priest among his 10 brethren, upon whose head the anointing oil is poured, and ³that is consecrated to put on the garments, shall not let the hair of his head go loose, nor rend his clothes; neither shall he go 11 in to any dead body, nor defile himself for his father, or for his mother; neither shall he go 12 out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the ⁴crown of the anointing oil of his God is upon him: I am the LORD. And he shall take a wife in her virginity. A 13, 14 widow, or one divorced, or a ²profane woman, an harlot, these shall he not take: but a virgin of his own people shall he take to wife. And 15 he shall not profane his seed among his people: for I am the LORD which sanctify him.

³ Heb. whose hand is filled.

⁴ Or, consecration

16 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
17 Speak unto Aaron, saying, Whosoever he be of
thy seed throughout their generations that hath
a blemish, let him not approach to offer the
18 bread of his God. For whatsoever man he be
that hath a blemish, he shall not approach: a
blind man, or a lame, or he that hath a ¹flat ¹ Or, *slit*
19 nose, or any thing superfluous, or a man that is
20 brokenfooted, or brokenhanded, or crookbackt,
or a dwarf, or that hath a blemish in his eye, or
is scurvy, or scabbed, or hath his stones broken;
21 no man of the seed of Aaron the priest, that
hath a blemish, shall come nigh to offer the offer-
ings of the LORD made by fire: he hath a blem-
ish; he shall not come nigh to offer the bread of
22 his God. He shall eat the bread of his God,
23 both of the most holy, and of the holy. Only
he shall not go in unto the veil, nor come nigh
unto the altar, because he hath a blemish; that
he profane not my sanctuaries: for I am the
24 LORD which sanctify them. So Moses spake
unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the
children of Israel.

22 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
² Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, that they
separate themselves from the holy things of the
children of Israel, which they hallow unto me,
and that they profane not my holy name: I am
³ the LORD. Say unto them, Whosoever he be of
all your seed throughout your generations, that
approacheth unto the holy things, which the
children of Israel hallow unto the LORD, having
his uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be
⁴ cut off from before me: I am the LORD. What
man soever of the seed of Aaron is a leper, or
hath an issue; he shall not eat of the holy
things, until he be clean. And whoso toucheth
² any thing that is unclean by the dead, or a man ² Or, *any one*

whose seed goeth from him; or whosoever 5
toucheth any creeping thing, whereby he may
be made unclean, or a man of whom he may
take uncleanness, whatsoever uncleanness he
hath; the soul which toucheth any such shall 6
be unclean until the even, and shall not eat of
the holy things, unless he bathe his flesh in
water. And when the sun is down, he shall be 7
clean; and afterward he shall eat of the holy
things, because it is his bread. That which 8
dieth of itself, or is torn of beasts, he shall not
eat to defile himself therewith: I am the LORD.
They shall therefore keep my charge, lest 9
they bear sin for it, and die therein, if they
profane it: I am the LORD which sanctify them.
There shall no stranger eat of the holy thing: a 10
sojourner of the priest's, or an hired servant, shall
not eat of the holy thing. But if a priest buy 11
any soul, the purchase of his money, he shall
eat of it; and such as are born in his house,
they shall eat of his bread. And if a priest's 12
daughter be married unto a stranger, she shall
not eat of the heave offering of the holy things.
But if a priest's daughter be a widow, or divorced, 13
and have no child, and is returned unto her
father's house, as in her youth, she shall eat
of her father's bread: but there shall no stranger
eat thereof. And if a man eat of the holy thing 14
unwittingly, then he shall put the fifth part
thereof unto it, and shall give unto the priest
the holy thing. And they shall not profane 15
the holy things of the children of Israel, which
they offer unto the LORD; and so cause them 16
to bear the iniquity that bringeth guilt, when
they eat their holy things: for I am the LORD
which sanctify them.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 17
Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto 18

- all the children of Israel, and say unto them, Whosoever he be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that offereth his oblation, whether it be any of their vows, or any of their freewill offerings, which they offer unto the LORD
- 19 for a burnt offering; that ye may be accepted, *ye shall offer* a male without blemish, of the
- 20 beeves, of the sheep, or of the goats. But whatsoever hath a blemish, that shall ye not offer: for it shall not be acceptable for you.
- 21 And whosoever offereth a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD to ¹accomplish a vow, or for a freewill offering, of the herd or of the flock, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall
- 22 be no blemish therein. Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having ²a wen, or scurvy, or scabbed, ye shall not offer these unto the LORD, nor make an offering by fire of them upon the altar
- 23 unto the LORD. Either a bullock or a lamb that hath any thing superfluous or lacking in his parts, that mayest thou offer for a freewill offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted.
- 24 That which hath its stones bruised, or crushed, or broken, or cut, ye shall not offer unto the LORD; neither shall ye ³do *thus* in your land.
- 25 Neither from the hand of a foreigner shall ye offer the bread of your God of any of these; because their corruption is in them, there is a blemish in them: they shall not be accepted for you.
- 26 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- 27 When a bullock, or a sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then it shall be seven days under the dam; and from the eighth day and thenceforth it shall be accepted for the oblation of an offering made
- 28 by fire unto the LORD. And whether it be cow or ewe, ye shall not kill it and her young
- 29 both in one day. And when ye sacrifice a
- ¹ Or, *make a special vow*
- ² Or, *sores*
- ³ Or, *sacrifice them*

sacrifice of thanksgiving unto the LORD, ye shall sacrifice it that ye may be accepted. On ³⁰ the same day it shall be eaten; ye shall leave none of it until the morning: I am the LORD. There- ³¹ fore shall ye keep my commandments, and do them: I am the LORD. And ye shall not pro- ³² fane my holy name; but I will be hallowed among the children of Israel: I am the LORD which hallow you, that brought you out of the ³³ land of Egypt, to be your God; I am the LORD.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **23**
 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto ² them, The ¹set feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my set feasts. Six days shall work ³ be done: but on the seventh day is a sabbath of solemn rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no manner of work; it is a sabbath unto the LORD in all your dwellings.

¹ Or, *appointed seasons*

² Heb. *between the two evenings.*

³ Heb. *work of labour.*

These are the set feasts of the LORD, even ⁴ holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their appointed season. In the first month, on ⁵ the fourteenth day of the month ²at even, is the LORD's passover. And on the fifteenth day of ⁶ the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye shall eat unleavened bread. In the first day ye shall have ⁷ an holy convocation; ye shall do no ³servile work. But ye shall offer an offering made by ⁸ fire unto the LORD seven days: in the seventh day is an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ⁹
 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto ¹⁰ them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring the sheaf of the

- 11 firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest: and he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it. And in the day when ye wave the sheaf, ye shall offer a he-lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD. And the meal offering thereof shall be two tenth parts *of an ephah* of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD for a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof shall be of wine, the fourth part of an hin. And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor fresh ears, until this selfsame day, until ye have brought the oblation of your God: it is a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.
- 15 And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall there be complete: even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meal offering unto the LORD. Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth parts *of an ephah*: they shall be of fine flour, they shall be baked with leaven, for firstfruits unto the LORD. And ye shall present with the bread seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams: they shall be a burnt offering unto the LORD, with their meal offering, and their drink offerings, even an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD. And ye shall offer one he-goat for a sin offering, and two he-lambs of the first year for a sacrifice of peace offerings. And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits for a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs: they shall be holy to the LORD for the

priest. And ye shall make proclamation on the ²¹ selfsame day; there shall be an holy convocation unto you: ye shall do no servile work: it is a statute for ever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.

And when ye reap the harvest of your land, ²² thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them for the poor, and for the stranger: I am the LORD your God.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ²³ Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In ²⁴ the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall be a solemn rest unto you, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation. Ye ²⁵ shall do no servile work: and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ²⁶ Howbeit on the tenth day of this seventh month ²⁷ is the day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you, and ye shall afflict your souls; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD. And ye shall do no manner of work ²⁸ in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, to make atonement for you before the LORD your God. For whatsoever soul it be that ²⁹ shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from his people. And whatsoever ³⁰ soul it be that doeth any manner of work in that same day, that soul will I destroy from among his people. Ye shall do no manner ³¹ of work: it is a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. It shall ³² be unto you a sabbath of solemn rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye keep your sabbath.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ³³

- 34 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, On the fifteenth day of this seventh month is the feast of ¹tabernacles for seven days unto the
- 35 LORD. On the first day shall be an holy con-
- 36 vocation: ye shall do no servile work. Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it is a ²solemn assembly; ye shall do no servile work.
- 37 These are the set feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, and a meal offering, a sacrifice, and
- 38 drink offerings, each on its own day: beside the sabbaths of the LORD, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD.
- 39 Howbeit on the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruits of the land, ye shall keep the feast of the LORD seven days: on the first day shall be a solemn rest, and on the eighth day shall be a solemn
- 40 rest. And ye shall take you on the first day the fruit of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the LORD
- 41 your God seven days. And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year: it is a statute for ever in your generations: ye
- 42 shall keep it in the seventh month. Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are home-
- 43 born in Israel shall dwell in booths: that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD
- 44 your God. And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the set feasts of the LORD.

¹ Heb. *booths*.² Or, *closing festival*

¹ See Ex.
xxvii. 20, 21.

² Or, *to set up
a lamp con-
tinually*

¹And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, **24**
Command the children of Israel, that they bring
unto thee pure olive oil beaten for the light,
²to cause a lamp to burn continually. Without
the veil of the testimony, in the tent of meeting,
shall Aaron order it from evening to morning
before the LORD continually: it shall be a statute
for ever throughout your generations. He shall
order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before
the LORD continually.

³ Or, *two piles,
six in a pile*

⁴ Or, *pile*

⁵ Or, *from*

And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve
cakes thereof: two tenth parts *of an ephah* shall
be in one cake. And thou shalt set them in ³two
rows, six on a row, upon the pure table before
the LORD. And thou shalt put pure frankincense
upon each ⁴row, that it may be to the bread for
a memorial, even an offering made by fire unto
the LORD. Every sabbath day he shall set it in
order before the LORD continually; it is ⁵on the
behalf of the children of Israel, an everlasting
covenant. And it shall be for Aaron and his
sons; and they shall eat it in a holy place: for
it is most holy unto him of the offerings of the
LORD made by fire by a perpetual statute.

And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose
father was an Egyptian, went out among the
children of Israel: and the son of the Israelitish
woman and a man of Israel strove together in
the camp; and the son of the Israelitish woman
blasphemed the Name, and cursed: and they
brought him unto Moses. And his mother's
name was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of
the tribe of Dan. And they put him in ward,
that it might be declared unto them at the
mouth of the LORD.

13 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
14 Bring forth him that hath cursed without the
camp; and let all that heard him lay their
hands upon his head, and let all the congrega-
15 tion stone him. And thou shalt speak unto the
children of Israel, saying, Whosoever curseth
16 his God shall bear his sin. And he that blas-
phemeth the name of the LORD, he shall surely
be put to death; all the congregation shall
certainly stone him: as well the stranger, as
the homeborn, when he blasphemeth the name
17 of the LORD, shall be put to death. And he
that smiteth any man mortally shall surely be
18 put to death; and he that smiteth a beast
19 mortally shall make it good: life for life. And
if a man cause a blemish in his neighbour; as he
20 hath done, so shall it be done to him; breach
for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: as he
hath caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be
21 rendered unto him. And he that killeth a beast
shall make it good: and he that killeth a man
22 shall be put to death. Ye shall have one manner
of law, as well for the stranger, as for the home-
23 born: for I am the LORD your God. And Moses
spake to the children of Israel, and they brought
forth him that had cursed out of the camp, and
stoned him with stones. And the children of
Israel did as the LORD commanded Moses.

25 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in mount
2 Sinai, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel,
and say unto them, When ye come into the
land which I give you, then shall the land
3 keep a sabbath unto the LORD. Six years thou
shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt
prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruits
4 thereof; but in the seventh year shall be a
sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a sabbath

unto the LORD: thou shalt neither sow thy field,
nor prune thy vineyard. That which groweth 5
of itself of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, and
the grapes of thy undressed vine thou shalt not
gather: it shall be a year of solemn rest for the
land. And the sabbath of the land shall be for 6
food for you; for thee, and for thy servant and
for thy maid, and for thy hired servant and for
thy stranger that sojourn with thee; and for thy 7
cattle, and for the beasts that are in thy land,
shall all the increase thereof be for food.

And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of 8
years unto thee, seven times seven years; and
there shall be unto thee the days of seven
sabbaths of years, even forty and nine years.
Then shalt thou send abroad the loud trumpet 9
on the tenth day of the seventh month; in the
day of atonement shall ye send abroad the
trumpet throughout all your land. And ye shall 10
hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty
throughout the land unto all the inhabitants
thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you; and ye
shall return every man unto his possession, and
ye shall return every man unto his family. A 11
jubile shall that fiftieth year be unto you: ye
shall not sow, neither reap that which groweth
of itself in it, nor gather *the grapes* in it of the
undressed vines. For it is a jubile; it shall be 12
holy unto you: ye shall eat the increase thereof
out of the field. In this year of jubile ye shall 13
return every man unto his possession. And if 14
thou sell aught unto thy neighbour, or buy of
thy neighbour's hand, ye shall not wrong one
another: according to the number of years after 15
the jubile thou shalt buy of thy neighbour, *and*
according unto the number of years of the crops
he shall sell unto thee. According to the multi- 16
tude of the years thou shalt increase the price

- thereof, and according to the fewness of the years thou shalt diminish the price of it; for the
17 number of the crops doth he sell unto thee. And ye shall not wrong one another; but thou shalt fear thy God: for I am the LORD your God.
18 Wherefore ye shall do my statutes, and keep my judgements and do them; and ye shall dwell
19 in the land in safety. And the land shall yield her fruit, and ye shall eat your fill, and dwell
20 therein in safety. And if ye shall say, What shall we eat the seventh year? behold, we shall
21 not sow, nor gather in our increase: then I will command my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth fruit for the
22 three years. And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat of the fruits, the old store; until the ninth year, until her fruits come in, ye shall eat
23 the old store. And the land shall not be sold in perpetuity; for the land is mine: for ye are
24 strangers and sojourners with me. And in all the land of your possession ye shall grant a redemption for the land.
- 25 If thy brother be waxen poor, and sell some of his possession, then shall his kinsman that is next unto him come, and shall redeem that
26 which his brother hath sold. And if a man have no one to redeem it, and he be waxen
27 rich and find sufficient to redeem it; then let him count the years of the sale thereof, and restore the overplus unto the man to whom he sold it; and he shall return unto his possession.
28 But if he be not able to get it back for himself, then that which he hath sold shall remain in the hand of him that hath bought it until the year of jubile: and in the jubile it shall go out, and he shall return unto his possession.
- 29 And if a man sell a dwelling house in a walled city, then he may redeem it within a

whole year after it is sold; for a full year shall he have the right of redemption. And if it be not redeemed within the space of a full year, then the house that is in the walled city shall be made sure in perpetuity to him that bought it, throughout his generations: it shall not go out in the jubile. But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be reckoned with the fields of the country: they may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubile. Nevertheless the cities of the Levites, the houses of the cities of their possession, may the Levites redeem at any time. And if ¹one of the Levites ²redeem, then the house that was sold, and the city of his possession, shall go out in the jubile: for the houses of the cities of the Levites are their possession among the children of Israel. But the field of the ³suburbs of their cities may not be sold; for it is their perpetual possession.

¹ Or, *a man redeem from the Levites*

² Or, after the Vulgate, *redeem not*

³ Or, *pasture lands*

⁴ Or, *relieve*

And if thy brother be waxen poor, and his hand fail with thee; then thou shalt ⁴uphold him: as a stranger and a sojourner shall he live with thee. Take thou no usury of him or increase; but fear thy God: that thy brother may live with thee. Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, nor give him thy victuals for increase. I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, to be your God.

And if thy brother be waxen poor with thee, and sell himself unto thee; thou shalt not make him to serve as a bondservant: as an hired servant, and as a sojourner, he shall be with thee; he shall serve with thee unto the year of jubile: then shall he go out from thee, he and his children with him, and shall return unto his own family, and unto the possession of his

- 42 fathers shall he return. For they are my servants, which I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not be sold as bondmen.
- 43 Thou shalt not rule over him with rigour;
- 44 but shalt fear thy God. And as for thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have; of the nations that are round about you, of them shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids.
- 45 Moreover of the children of the strangers that do sojourn among you, of them shall ye buy, and of their families that are with you, which they have begotten in your land: and they shall
- 46 be your possession. And ye shall make them an inheritance for your children after you, to hold for a possession; of them shall ye take your bondmen for ever: but over your brethren the children of Israel ye shall not rule, one over another, with rigour.
- 47 And if a stranger or sojourner with thee be waxen rich, and thy brother be waxen poor beside him, and sell himself unto the stranger
- 48 *or* sojourner with thee, or to the stock of the stranger's family: after that he is sold he may be redeemed; one of his brethren may redeem
- 49 him: or his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or any that is nigh of kin unto him of his family may redeem him; or if he be waxen
- 50 rich, he may redeem himself. And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that he sold himself to him unto the year of jubile: and the price of his sale shall be according unto the number of years; according to the time of an hired servant shall he be with
- 51 him. If there be yet many years, according unto them he shall give back the price of his redemption out of the money that he was
- 52 bought for. And if there remain but few years unto the year of jubile, then he shall reckon

with him; according unto his years shall he give back the price of his redemption. As a 53 servant hired year by year shall he be with him: he shall not rule with rigour over him in thy sight. And if he be not redeemed ¹by 54 these means, then he shall go out in the year of jubile, he, and his children with him. For 55 unto me the children of Israel are servants; they are my servants whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

¹ Or, in these years

² See ch. xix.

⁴ Or, an obelisk

⁴ Or, thereon

Ye shall make you no ²idols, neither shall ye 1 26 rear you up a graven image, or ³a pillar, neither shall ye place any figured stone in your land, to bow down ⁴unto it: for I am the LORD your God. Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence ²my sanctuary: I am the LORD.

If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my com- 3 mandments, and do them; then I will give your 4 rains in their season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit. And your threshing shall 5 reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time: and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely. And I will give peace in the land, and 6 ye shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid: and I will cause evil beasts to cease out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land. And ye shall chase your enemies, 7 and they shall fall before you by the sword. And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an 8 hundred of you shall chase ten thousand: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword. And I will have respect unto you, and make 9 you fruitful, and multiply you; and will establish my covenant with you. And ye shall eat old 10 store long kept, and ye shall bring forth the old ⁵because of the new. And I will set my taber- 11

⁵ Or, from before

nacle among you: and my soul shall not abhor
12 you. And I will walk among you, and will
13 be your God, and ye shall be my people. I
am the LORD your God, which brought you
forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should
not be their bondmen; and I have broken the
bars of your yoke, and made you go upright.

14 But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will
15 not do all these commandments; and if ye shall
reject my statutes, and if your soul abhor my
judgements, so that ye will not do all my com-
16 mandments, but break my covenant; I also
will do this unto you; I will appoint terror
over you, even consumption and fever, that
shall consume the eyes, and make the soul
to pine away: and ye shall sow your seed in
17 vain, for your enemies shall eat it. And I will
set my face against you, and ye shall be smitten
before your enemies: they that hate you shall
rule over you; and ye shall flee when none
18 pursueth you. And if ye will not yet for these
things hearken unto me, then I will chastise
19 you seven times more for your sins. And I
will break the pride of your power; and I will
make your heaven as iron, and your earth
20 as brass: and your strength shall be spent in
vain: for your land shall not yield her increase,
neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruit.
21 And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not
hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more
22 plagues upon you according to your sins. And
I will send the beast of the field among you,
which shall rob you of your children, and de-
stroy your cattle, and make you few in number;
23 and your ways shall become desolate. And
if by these things ye will not be reformed ¹unto
24 me, but will walk contrary unto me; then will I

¹ Or, *by*

also walk contrary unto you; and I will smite you, even I, seven times for your sins. And I ²⁵ will bring a sword upon you, that shall execute the vengeance of the covenant; and ye shall be gathered together within your cities: and I will send the pestilence among you; and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy. When I ²⁶ break your staff of bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver your bread again by weight: and ye shall eat, and not be satisfied.

And if ye will not for all this hearken unto ²⁷ me, but walk contrary unto me; then I will ²⁸ walk contrary unto you in fury; and I also will chastise you seven times for your sins. And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the ²⁹ flesh of your daughters shall ye eat. And I ³⁰ will destroy your high places, and cut down your sun-images, and cast your carcasses upon the carcasses of your idols; and my soul shall abhor you. And I will make your cities a ³¹ waste, and will bring your sanctuaries unto desolation, and I will not smell the savour of your sweet odours. And I will bring the land ³² into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it. And you will ³³ I scatter among the nations, and I will draw out the sword after you: and your land shall be a desolation, and your cities shall be a waste. Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long ³⁴ as it lieth desolate, and ye be in your enemies' land; even then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths. As long as it lieth desolate it ³⁵ shall have rest; even the rest which it had not in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it. And as for them that are left of you, I will send ³⁶ a faintness into their heart in the lands of their enemies: and the sound of a driven leaf shall

chase them; and they shall flee, as one fleeth from the sword; and they shall fall when none
37 pursueth. And they shall stumble one upon another, as it were before the sword, when none pursueth: and ye shall have no power
38 to stand before your enemies. And ye shall perish among the nations, and the land of
39 your enemies shall eat you up. And they that are left of you shall pine away in their iniquity in your enemies' lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine
40 away with them. And they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, in their trespass which they trespassed against me, and also that because they have walked
41 contrary unto me, I also walked contrary unto them, and brought them into the land of their enemies: if then their uncircumcised heart be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity; then will I remember
42 my covenant with Jacob; and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember
43 the land. The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them; and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they rejected my judgements, and their
44 soul abhorred my statutes. And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not reject them, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am the LORD their
45 God: but I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their God: I am the LORD.

These are the statutes and judgements and ⁴⁶ laws, which the LORD made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ^I **27**
 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say ²
 unto them, When a man shall ¹accomplish a
 vow, ²the persons shall be for the LORD by thy
 estimation. And thy estimation shall be of ³
 the male from twenty years old even unto sixty
 years old, even thy estimation shall be fifty
 shekels of silver, after the shekel of the sanc-
 tuary. And if it be a female, then thy estima- ⁴
 tion shall be thirty shekels. And if it be from ⁵
 five years old even unto twenty years old, then
 thy estimation shall be of the male twenty
 shekels, and for the female ten shekels. And ⁶
 if it be from a month old even unto five years
 old, then thy estimation shall be of the male
 five shekels of silver, and for the female thy
 estimation shall be three shekels of silver.
 And if it be from sixty years old and upward; ⁷
 if it be a male, then thy estimation shall be
 fifteen shekels, and for the female ten shekels.
 But if he be poorer than thy estimation, then ⁸
 he shall be set before the priest, and the priest
 shall value him; according to the ability of him
 that vowed shall the priest value him.

And if it be a beast, whereof men offer an ⁹
 oblation unto the LORD, all that any man giveth
 of such unto the LORD shall be holy. He shall ¹⁰
 not alter it, nor change it, a good for a bad, or
 a bad for a good: and if he shall at all change
 beast for beast, then both it and that for which
 it is changed shall be holy. And if it be any ¹¹
 unclean beast, of which they do not offer an
 oblation unto the LORD, then he shall set the

¹ Or, make a special vow
² Or, according to thy estimation of persons unto the LORD, then thy estimation &c.

- 12 beast before the priest: and the priest shall
value it, whether it be good or bad: as thou
13 the priest valuest it, so shall it be. But if he
will indeed redeem it, then he shall add the
fifth part thereof unto thy estimation.
- 14 And when a man shall sanctify his house to
be holy unto the LORD, then the priest shall
estimate it, whether it be good or bad: as the
15 priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand. And
if he that sanctified it will redeem his house,
then he shall add the fifth part of the money
of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be his.
- 16 And if a man shall sanctify unto the LORD
part of the field of his possession, then thy
estimation shall be according to the sowing
thereof: the sowing of a homer of barley *shall*
17 *be valued* at fifty shekels of silver. If he sanc-
tify his field from the year of jubile, according
18 to thy estimation it shall stand. But if he
sanctify his field after the jubile, then the priest
shall reckon unto him the money according to
the years that remain unto the year of jubile,
and an abatement shall be made from thy
19 estimation. And if he that sanctified the field
will indeed redeem it, then he shall add the fifth
part of the money of thy estimation unto it,
20 and it shall be assured to him. And if he will
not redeem the field, or if he have sold the field
to another man, it shall not be redeemed any
21 more: but the field, when it goeth out in the
jubile, shall be holy unto the LORD, as a field
devoted; the possession thereof shall be the
22 priest's. And if he sanctify unto the LORD a
field which he hath bought, which is not of the
23 field of his possession; then the priest shall
reckon unto him the worth of thy estimation
unto the year of jubile: and he shall give thine
estimation in that day, as a holy thing unto the

LORD. In the year of jubile the field shall ²⁴ return unto him of whom it was bought, even to him to whom the possession of the land belongeth. And all thy estimations shall be ac- ²⁵ cording to the shekel of the sanctuary : twenty gerahs shall be the shekel.

Only the firstling among beasts, which is ²⁶ made a firstling to the LORD, no man shall sanctify it ; whether it be ox or sheep, it is the LORD'S. And if it be of an unclean beast, then ²⁷ he shall ransom it according to thine estimation, and shall add unto it the fifth part thereof : or if it be not redeemed, then it shall be sold according to thy estimation.

Notwithstanding, no devoted thing, that a ²⁸ man shall devote unto the LORD of all that he hath, whether of man or beast, or of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed : every devoted thing is most holy unto the LORD. None devoted, which shall be devoted ²⁹ of men, shall be ransomed ; he shall surely be put to death.

And all the tithe of the land, whether of the ³⁰ seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD'S : it is holy unto the LORD. And ³¹ if a man will redeem aught of his tithe, he shall add unto it the fifth part thereof. And all ³² the tithe of the herd or the flock, whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the LORD. He shall not search whether ³³ it be good or bad, neither shall he change it : and if he change it at all, then both it and that for which it is changed shall be holy ; it shall not be redeemed.

These are the commandments, which the ³⁴ LORD commanded Moses for the children of Israel in mount Sinai.

THE FOURTH BOOK OF MOSES,

COMMONLY CALLED

NUMBERS.

- 1 ¹ AND the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tent of meeting, on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they were come out of the land of
- 2 Egypt, saying, Take ye the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, every male, by their
- 3 polls; from twenty years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel, thou and Aaron shall number them by their hosts.
- 4 And with you there shall be a man of every tribe; every one head of his fathers' house.
- 5 And these are the names of the men that shall stand with you: of Reuben; Elizur the son of
- 6 Shedeur. Of Simeon; Shelumiel the son of
- 7 Zurishaddai. Of Judah; Nahshon the son of
- 8 Amminadab. Of Issachar; Nethanel the son
- 9 of Zuar. Of Zebulun; Eliab the son of Helon.
- 10 Of the children of Joseph: of Ephraim; Elishama the son of Ammihud: of Manasseh;
- 11 Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. Of Benjamin;
- 12 Abidan the son of Gideoni. Of Dan; Ahiezer
- 13 the son of Ammishaddai. Of Asher; Pagiel
- 14 the son of Ochran. Of Gad; Eliasaph the
- 15 son of ¹Deuel. Of Naphtali; Ahira the son of

¹ In ch. ii. 14, *Reuel*.

Enan. These are they that were called of the 16
congregation, the princes of the tribes of their
¹ Or, *families* fathers; they were the heads of the ¹thousands
of Israel. And Moses and Aaron took these 17
men which are expressed by name: and they 18
assembled all the congregation together on the
first day of the second month, and they de-
clared their pedigrees after their families, by
their fathers' houses, according to the number
of the names, from twenty years old and up-
ward, by their polls. As the LORD commanded 19
Moses, so he numbered them in the wilder-
ness of Sinai.

And the children of Reuben, Israel's first- 20
born, their generations, by their families, by
their fathers' houses, according to the number
of the names, by their polls, every male from
twenty years old and upward, all that were able
to go forth to war; those that were numbered 21
of them, of the tribe of Reuben, were forty and
six thousand and five hundred.

Of the children of Simeon, their generations, 22
by their families, by their fathers' houses, those
that were numbered thereof, according to the
number of the names, by their polls, every male
from twenty years old and upward, all that
were able to go forth to war; those that were 23
numbered of them, of the tribe of Simeon, were
fifty and nine thousand and three hundred.

Of the children of Gad, their generations, by 24
their families, by their fathers' houses, accord-
ing to the number of the names, from twenty
years old and upward, all that were able to go
forth to war; those that were numbered of 25
them, of the tribe of Gad, were forty and five
thousand six hundred and fifty.

Of the children of Judah, their generations, 26
by their families, by their fathers' houses, ac-

according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able
27 to go forth to war; those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Judah, were threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.

28 Of the children of Issachar, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able
29 to go forth to war; those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Issachar, were fifty and four thousand and four hundred.

30 Of the children of Zebulun, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able
31 to go forth to war; those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Zebulun, were fifty and seven thousand and four hundred.

32 Of the children of Joseph, *namely*, of the children of Ephraim, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to
33 war; those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Ephraim, were forty thousand and five hundred.

34 Of the children of Manasseh, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able
35 to go forth to war; those that were numbered of them, of the tribe of Manasseh, were thirty and two thousand and two hundred.

36 Of the children of Benjamin, their generations, by their families, by their fathers' houses, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able

to go forth to war; those that were numbered 37
of them, of the tribe of Benjamin, were thirty
and five thousand and four hundred.

Of the children of Dan, their generations, by 38
their families, by their fathers' houses, accord-
ing to the number of the names, from twenty
years old and upward, all that were able to go
forth to war; those that were numbered of 39
them, of the tribe of Dan, were threescore and
two thousand and seven hundred.

Of the children of Asher, their generations, 40
by their families, by their fathers' houses, ac-
cording to the number of the names, from
twenty years old and upward, all that were able
to go forth to war; those that were numbered 41
of them, of the tribe of Asher, were forty and
one thousand and five hundred.

Of the children of Naphtali, their genera- 42
tions, by their families, by their fathers' houses,
according to the number of the names, from
twenty years old and upward, all that were able
to go forth to war; those that were numbered 43
of them, of the tribe of Naphtali, were fifty and
three thousand and four hundred.

These are they that were numbered, which 44
Moses and Aaron numbered, and the princes of
Israel, being twelve men: they were each one
for his fathers' house. So all they that were 45
numbered of the children of Israel by their
fathers' houses, from twenty years old and up-
ward, all that were able to go forth to war in
Israel; even all they that were numbered were 46
six hundred thousand and three thousand and
five hundred and fifty.

But the Levites after the tribe of their 47
fathers were not numbered among them. For 48
the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Only 49
the tribe of Levi thou shalt not number, nei-

- ther shalt thou take the sum of them among
50 the children of Israel: but appoint thou the
Levites over the tabernacle of the testimony,
and over all the furniture thereof, and over all
that belongeth to it: they shall bear the taber-
nacle, and all the furniture thereof; and they
shall minister unto it, and shall encamp round
51 about the tabernacle. And when the tabernacle
setteth forward, the Levites shall take it down:
and when the tabernacle is to be pitched,
the Levites shall set it up: and the stranger
52 that cometh nigh shall be put to death. And
the children of Israel shall pitch their tents,
every man by his own camp, and every man
by his own standard, according to their hosts.
53 But the Levites shall pitch round about the
tabernacle of the testimony, that there be no
wrath upon the congregation of the children of
Israel: and the Levites shall keep the charge
54 of the tabernacle of the testimony. Thus did
the children of Israel; according to all that the
LORD commanded Moses, so did they.
- 2 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto
2 Aaron, saying, The children of Israel shall
pitch every man by his own standard, with the
ensigns of their fathers' houses: over against
the tent of meeting shall they pitch round
3 about. And those that pitch on the east side
toward the sunrising shall be they of the
standard of the camp of Judah, according to
their hosts: and the prince of the children of
Judah shall be Nahshon the son of Amminadab.
4 And his host, and those that were numbered of
them, were threescore and fourteen thousand
5 and six hundred. And those that pitch next
unto him shall be the tribe of Issachar: and
the prince of the children of Issachar shall be
6 Nethanel the son of Zuar: and his host, and

those that were numbered thereof, were fifty and four thousand and four hundred: *and* the tribe ⁷ of Zebulun: and the prince of the children of Zebulun shall be Eliab the son of Helon: and ⁸ his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were fifty and seven thousand and four hundred. All that were numbered of the camp ⁹ of Judah were an hundred thousand and four-score thousand and six thousand and four hundred, according to their hosts. They shall set forth first.

On the south side shall be the standard of ¹⁰ the camp of Reuben according to their hosts: and the prince of the children of Reuben shall be Elizur the son of Shedeur. And his host, ¹¹ and those that were numbered thereof, were forty and six thousand and five hundred. And ¹² those that pitch next unto him shall be the tribe of Simeon: and the prince of the children of Simeon shall be Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai: and his host, and those that were ¹³ numbered of them, were fifty and nine thousand and three hundred: and the tribe of Gad: and ¹⁴ the prince of the children of Gad shall be Eliasaph the son of ¹Reuel: and his host, and ¹⁵ those that were numbered of them, were forty and five thousand and six hundred and fifty. All that were numbered of the camp of Reuben ¹⁶ were an hundred thousand and fifty and one thousand and four hundred and fifty, according to their hosts. And they shall set forth second.

Then the tent of meeting shall set forward, ¹⁷ with the camp of the Levites in the midst of the camps: as they encamp, so shall they set forward, every man in his place, by their standards.

On the west side shall be the standard of the ¹⁸ camp of Ephraim according to their hosts: and

¹ In ch. i. 14,
Deuel.

the prince of the children of Ephraim shall be
19 Elishama the son of Ammihud. And his host,
and those that were numbered of them, were
20 forty thousand and five hundred. And next
unto him shall be the tribe of Manasseh: and
the prince of the children of Manasseh shall be
21 Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur: and his host,
and those that were numbered of them, were
22 thirty and two thousand and two hundred: and
the tribe of Benjamin: and the prince of the
children of Benjamin shall be Abidan the son
23 of Gideoni: and his host, and those that were
numbered of them, were thirty and five thou-
24 sand and four hundred. All that were num-
bered of the camp of Ephraim were an hundred
thousand and eight thousand and an hundred,
according to their hosts. And they shall set
forth third.

25 On the north side shall be the standard of
the camp of Dan according to their hosts: and
the prince of the children of Dan shall be Ahi-
26 ezer the son of Ammishaddai. And his host,
and those that were numbered of them, were
threescore and two thousand and seven hund-
27 red. And those that pitch next unto him shall
be the tribe of Asher: and the prince of the
children of Asher shall be Pagiel the son of
28 Ochran: and his host, and those that were num-
bered of them, were forty and one thousand and
29 five hundred: and the tribe of Naphtali: and
the prince of the children of Naphtali shall be
30 Ahira the son of Enan: and his host, and those
that were numbered of them, were fifty and
31 three thousand and four hundred. All that
were numbered of the camp of Dan were an
hundred thousand and fifty and seven thousand
and six hundred. They shall set forth hind-
most by their standards.

These are they that were numbered of the ³² children of Israel by their fathers' houses: all that were numbered of the camps according to their hosts were six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty. But the Levites were not numbered among ³³ the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses. Thus did the children of Israel; ac- ³⁴ cording to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so they pitched by their standards, and so they set forward, every one by their families, according to their fathers' houses.

Now these are the generations of Aaron and ¹ **3** Moses in the day that the LORD spake with Moses in mount Sinai. And these are the ² names of the sons of Aaron; Nadab the first-born, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. These ³ are the names of the sons of Aaron, the priests which were anointed, whom he consecrated to minister in the priest's office. And Nadab and ⁴ Abihu died before the LORD, when they offered strange fire before the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no children: and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office in the presence of Aaron their father.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ⁵ Bring the tribe of Levi near, and set them ⁶ before Aaron the priest, that they may minister unto him. And they shall keep his charge, and ⁷ the charge of the whole congregation before the tent of meeting, to do the service of the tabernacle. And they shall keep all the furni- ⁸ ture of the tent of meeting, and the charge of the children of Israel, to do the service of the tabernacle. And thou shalt give the Levites ⁹ unto Aaron and to his sons: they are ¹ wholly given unto him ² on the behalf of the children of Israel. And thou shalt ³ appoint Aaron and ¹⁰

¹ Heb. *given, given.*

² Or, *from*

³ Or, *number*

his sons, and they shall keep their priesthood: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
12 And I, behold, I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of all the firstborn that openeth the womb among the children of Israel; and the Levites shall be
13 mine: for all the firstborn are mine; on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I hallowed unto me all the firstborn in Israel, both man and beast: mine they shall be; I am the LORD.

14 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the
15 wilderness of Sinai; saying, Number the children of Levi by their fathers' houses, by their families: every male from a month old and
16 upward shalt thou number them. And Moses numbered them according to the word of the
17 LORD, as he was commanded. And these were the sons of Levi by their names; Gershon, and
18 Kohath, and Merari. And these are the names of the sons of Gershon by their families; Libni
19 and Shimei. And the sons of Kohath by their families; Amram, and Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel.
20 And the sons of Merari by their families; Mahli and Mushi. These are the families of the Levites according to their fathers' houses.

21 Of Gershon was the family of the Libnites, and the family of the Shimeites: these are the
22 families of the Gershonites. Those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, even those that were numbered of them were
23 seven thousand and five hundred. The families of the Gershonites shall pitch behind the tabernacle westward. And the prince of the fathers' house of the Gershonites shall be Eliasaph the

son of Lael. And the charge of the sons of 25
Gershon in the tent of meeting shall be the
tabernacle, and the Tent, the covering thereof,
and the screen for the door of the tent of
meeting, and the hangings of the court, and 26
the screen for the door of the court, which is
by the tabernacle, and by the altar round about,
and the cords of it for all the service thereof.

And of Kohath was the family of the Amram- 27
ites, and the family of the Izharites, and the
family of the Hebronites, and the family of the
Uzzielites: these are the families of the Kohath-
ites. According to the number of all the males, 28
from a month old and upward, there were eight
thousand and six hundred, keeping the charge
of the sanctuary. The families of the sons of 29
Kohath shall pitch on the side of the taber-
nacle southward. And the prince of the fathers' 30
house of the families of the Kohathites shall be
Elizaphan the son of Uzziel. And their charge 31
shall be the ark, and the table, and the candle-
stick, and the altars, and the vessels of the
sanctuary wherewith they minister, and the
screen, and all the service thereof. And 32
Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest shall be
prince of the princes of the Levites, *and have*
the oversight of them that keep the charge of
the sanctuary.

Of Merari was the family of the Mahlites, and 33
the family of the Mushites: these are the families
of Merari. And those that were numbered of 34
them, according to the number of all the males,
from a month old and upward, were six thou-
sand and two hundred. And the prince of the 35
fathers' house of the families of Merari was
Zuriel the son of Abihail: they shall pitch on
the side of the tabernacle northward. And ¹the 36
appointed charge of the sons of Merari shall

¹ Heb. *the
office of the
charge.*

be the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and the sockets thereof, and all the instruments thereof, and all
37 the service thereof; and the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins,
38 and their cords. And those that pitch before the tabernacle eastward, before the tent of meeting toward the sunrising, shall be Moses, and Aaron and his sons, keeping the charge of the sanctuary ¹for the charge of the children of Israel; and the stranger that cometh nigh shall
39 be put to death. All that were numbered of the Levites, which Moses and Aaron numbered at the commandment of the LORD, by their families, all the males from a month old and upward, were twenty and two thousand.

40 And the LORD said unto Moses, Number all the firstborn males of the children of Israel from a month old and upward, and take the
41 number of their names. And thou shalt take the Levites for me (I am the LORD) instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel; and the cattle of the Levites instead of all the firstlings among the cattle of the children of
42 Israel. And Moses numbered, as the LORD commanded him, all the firstborn among the
43 children of Israel. And all the firstborn males according to the number of names, from a month old and upward, of those that were numbered of them, were twenty and two thousand two hundred and threescore and thirteen.

44 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
45 Take the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle: and the
46 Levites shall be mine; I am the LORD. And for
²the redemption of the two hundred and threescore and thirteen of the firstborn of the children

¹ Or, *even*

² Or, *those that are to be redeemed, the &c.*

of Israel, which are over and above *the number* of the Levites, thou shalt take five shekels 47 apiece by the poll; after the shekel of the sanctuary shalt thou take them (the shekel is twenty gerahs): and thou shalt give the money 48 wherewith the odd number of them is redeemed unto Aaron and to his sons. And Moses took 49 the redemption-money from them that were over and above them that were redeemed by the Levites: from the firstborn of the children 50 of Israel took he the money; a thousand three hundred and threescore and five *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary: and Moses gave 51 ¹the redemption-money unto Aaron and to his sons, according to the word of the LORD, as the LORD commanded Moses.

¹ Or, *the money of them that were redeemed*

And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto 1 4 Aaron, saying, Take the sum of the sons of 2 Kohath from among the sons of Levi, by their families, by their fathers' houses, from thirty 3 years old and upward even until fifty years old, all that enter upon the ²service, to do the work in the tent of meeting. This is the ³service 4 of the sons of Kohath in the tent of meeting, *about* the most holy things: when the camp 5 setteth forward, Aaron shall go in, and his sons, and they shall take down the veil of the screen, and cover the ark of the testimony with it: and shall put thereon a covering of 6 sealskin, and shall spread over it a cloth all of blue, and shall put in the staves thereof. And upon the table of shewbread they shall 7 spread a cloth of blue, and put thereon the dishes, and the spoons, and the bowls and the cups to pour out withal: and the continual bread shall be thereon: and they shall spread 8 upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same with a covering of sealskin, and shall

² Heb. *warfare*, or, *host* (and so in vv. 35, 39, 43).

³ Or, *work*

- 9 put in the staves thereof. And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover the candlestick of the light, and its lamps, and its tongs, and its snuffdishes, and all the oil vessels thereof, where-
10 with they minister unto it: and they shall put it and all the vessels thereof within a covering of sealskin, and shall put it upon ¹the frame. ¹ Or, a bar
- 11 And upon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and cover it with a covering of sealskin, and shall put in the staves thereof:
12 and they shall take all the vessels of ministry, wherewith they minister in the sanctuary, and put them in a cloth of blue, and cover them with a covering of sealskin, and shall put
13 them on the frame. And they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple
14 cloth thereon: and they shall put upon it all the vessels thereof, wherewith they minister about it, the firepans, the fleshhooks, and the shovels, and the basons, all the vessels of the altar; and they shall spread upon it a covering
15 of sealskin, and put in the staves thereof. And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the furniture of the sanctuary, as the camp is to set forward; after that, the sons of Kohath shall come to bear it: but they shall not touch the ²sanctuary, lest they die. ² Or, holy things
These things are the burden of the sons of Kohath in the tent of meeting.
- 16 And the charge of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest shall be the oil for the light, and the sweet incense, and the continual meal offering, and the anointing oil, the charge of all the tabernacle, and of all that therein is, the sanctuary, and the furniture thereof.
- 17 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto
18 Aaron, saying, Cut ye not off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the

Levites: but thus do unto them, that they may ¹⁹ live, and not die, when they approach unto the most holy things: Aaron and his sons shall go in, and appoint them every one to his service and to his burden: but they shall not go in ²⁰ to see the ¹sanctuary even for a moment, lest they die.

¹ Or, *holy things*

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ²¹ Take the sum of the sons of Gershon also, by ²² their fathers' houses, by their families; from ²³ thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shalt thou number them; all that enter in to ²wait upon the service, to do the work in the tent of meeting. This is the service ²⁴ of the families of the Gershonites, in serving and in bearing burdens: they shall bear the ²⁵ curtains of the tabernacle, and the tent of meeting, its covering, and the covering of sealskin that is above upon it, and the screen for the door of the tent of meeting; and the hangings ²⁶ of the court, and the screen for the door of the gate of the court, which is by the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and whatsoever shall be done with them, therein shall they serve. At the commandment of ²⁷ Aaron and his sons shall be all the service of the sons of the Gershonites, in all their burden, and in all their service: and ye shall appoint unto them in charge all their burden. This is ²⁸ the service of the families of the sons of the Gershonites in the tent of meeting: and their charge shall be under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

² Heb. *war the warfare.*

As for the sons of Merari, thou shalt number ²⁹ them by their families, by their fathers' houses; from thirty years old and upward even unto ³⁰ fifty years old shalt thou number them, every

- one that entereth upon the service, to do the
31 work of the tent of meeting. And this is the
charge of their burden, according to all their
service in the tent of meeting; the boards of
the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the
32 pillars thereof, and the sockets thereof; and
the pillars of the court round about, and their
sockets, and their pins, and their cords, with
all their instruments, and with all their service:
and by name ye shall ¹appoint the instruments of ¹ Or, *number*
33 the charge of their burden. This is the service
of the families of the sons of Merari, according
to all their service, in the tent of meeting,
under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron
the priest.
- 34 And Moses and Aaron and the princes of
the congregation numbered the sons of the Ko-
hathites by their families, and by their fathers'
35 houses, from thirty years old and upward even
unto fifty years old, every one that entered
upon the service, for work in the tent of meet-
36 ing; and those that were numbered of them by
their families were two thousand seven hundred
37 and fifty. These are they that were numbered
of the families of the Kohathites, all that did
serve in the tent of meeting, whom Moses and
Aaron numbered according to the command-
ment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
- 38 And those that were numbered of the sons
of Gershon, by their families, and by their
39 fathers' houses, from thirty years old and up-
ward even unto fifty years old, every one that
entered upon the service, for work in the tent
40 of meeting, even those that were numbered
of them, by their families, by their fathers'
houses, were two thousand and six hundred
41 and thirty. These are they that were numbered
of the families of the sons of Gershon, all that

did serve in the tent of meeting, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the commandment of the LORD.

And those that were numbered of the families ⁴² of the sons of Merari, by their families, by their fathers' houses, from thirty years old and up- ⁴³ ward even unto fifty years old, every one that entered upon the service, for work in the tent of meeting, even those that were numbered of ⁴⁴ them by their families, were three thousand and two hundred. These are they that were num- ⁴⁵ bered of the families of the sons of Merari, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

All those that were numbered of the Levites, ⁴⁶ whom Moses and Aaron and the princes of Israel numbered, by their families, and by their fathers' houses, from thirty years old and up- ⁴⁷ ward even unto fifty years old, every one that entered in to do the work of service, and the work of bearing burdens in the tent of meeting, even those that were numbered of them, were ⁴⁸ eight thousand and five hundred and fourscore. According to the commandment of the LORD ⁴⁹ they were numbered by the hand of Moses, every one according to his service, and ¹according to his burden: thus were they numbered of him, as the LORD commanded Moses.

¹ Or, *according to his burden and his duty, as &c.*

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **5**
Command the children of Israel, that they put ²
out of the camp every leper, and every one
that hath an issue, and whosoever is unclean by
the dead: both male and female shall ye put ³
out, without the camp shall ye put them; that
they defile not their camp, in the midst whereof
I dwell. And the children of Israel did so, and ⁴
put them out without the camp: as the LORD

spake unto Moses, so did the children of Israel.

- 5 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
6 Speak unto the children of Israel, When a man or woman shall commit any sin that men commit, to do a trespass against the LORD, and that
7 soul be guilty; then they shall confess their sin which they have done: and he shall make restitution for his guilt in full, and add unto it the fifth part thereof, and give it unto him in
8 respect of whom he hath been guilty. But if the man have no kinsman to whom restitution may be made for the guilt, the restitution for guilt which is made unto the LORD shall be the priest's; besides the ram of the atonement, whereby atonement shall be made for him.
9 And every heave offering of all the holy things of the children of Israel, which they present
10 unto the priest, shall be his. And every man's hallowed things shall be his: whatsoever any man giveth the priest, it shall be his.
11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
12 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man's wife go aside, and commit a
13 trespass against him, and a man lie with her carnally, and it be hid from the eyes of her husband, and be kept close, and she be defiled, and there be no witness against her, neither she
14 be taken in the act; and the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be defiled: or if the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife,
15 and she be not defiled: then shall the man bring his wife unto the priest, and shall bring her oblation for her, the tenth part of an ephah of barley meal; he shall pour no oil upon it, nor put frankincense thereon; for it is a meal offering of jealousy, a meal offering of memorial,

bringing iniquity to remembrance. And the ¹⁶
priest shall bring her near, and set her before
the LORD: and the priest shall take holy water ¹⁷
in an earthen vessel; and of the dust that is on
the floor of the tabernacle the priest shall take,
and put it into the water: and the priest shall ¹⁸
set the woman before the LORD, and let the
hair of the woman's head go loose, and put the
meal offering of memorial in her hands, which
is the meal offering of jealousy: and the priest
shall have in his hand the water of bitterness
that causeth the curse: and the priest shall ¹⁹
cause her to swear, and shall say unto the
woman, If no man have lien with thee, and if
thou hast not gone aside to uncleanness, ¹being
under thy husband, be thou free from this water
of bitterness that causeth the curse: but if thou ²⁰
hast gone aside, ¹being under thy husband,
and if thou be defiled, and some man have
lien with thee besides thine husband: then the ²¹
priest shall cause the woman to swear with the
oath of ²cursing, and the priest shall say unto
the woman, The LORD make thee a ²curse and
an oath among thy people, when the LORD
doth make thy thigh to fall away, and thy
belly to swell; and this water that causeth the ²²
curse shall go into thy bowels, and make thy
belly to swell, and thy thigh to fall away: and
the woman shall say, Amen, Amen. And the ²³
priest shall write these curses in a book, and
he shall blot them out into the water of bit-
terness: and he shall make the woman drink ²⁴
the water of bitterness that causeth the curse:
and the water that causeth the curse shall
enter into her *and become* bitter. And the ²⁵
priest shall take the meal offering of jealousy
out of the woman's hand, and shall wave the
meal offering before the LORD, and bring it

¹ Or, with
another *in-
stead of thy
husband*
See Ezek.
xxiii. 5,
Rom. vii. 2.

² Or, *adjura-
tion*

- 26 unto the altar: and the priest shall take an handful of the meal offering, as the memorial thereof, and burn it upon the altar, and afterward shall make the woman drink the water.
 27 And when he hath made her drink the water, then it shall come to pass, if she be defiled, and have committed a trespass against her husband, that the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her *and become* bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall fall away: and the
 28 woman shall be a curse among her people. And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then
 29 she shall be free, and shall conceive seed. This is the law of jealousy, when a wife, ¹being under
 30 her husband, goeth aside, and is defiled; or when the spirit of jealousy cometh upon a man, and he be jealous over his wife; then shall he set the woman before the LORD, and the
 31 priest shall execute upon her all this law. And the man shall be free from iniquity, and that woman shall bear her iniquity.
 6 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When either man or woman shall make a special vow, the vow of ²a Nazirite, to ³separate
 3 himself unto the LORD: he shall separate himself from wine and strong drink; he shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor
 4 eat fresh grapes or dried. All the days of his ⁴separation shall he eat nothing that is made of the grape-vine, from the kernels even to the
 5 husk. All the days of his vow of separation there shall no razor come upon his head: until the days be fulfilled, in the which he separateth himself unto the LORD, he shall be holy, he shall let the locks of the hair of his head grow
 6 long. All the days that he separateth himself

¹ Or, *goeth aside with another instead of her husband*

² That is, *one separated or consecrated.*

³ Or, *consecrate*

⁴ Or, *consecration*
Or, *Nazirite-ship*

unto the LORD he shall not come near to a dead body. He shall not make himself unclean for 7 his father, or for his mother, for his brother, or for his sister, when they die : because his separation unto God is upon his head. All the days 8 of his separation he is holy unto the LORD. And if any man die very suddenly beside him, 9 and he defile the head of his separation ; then he shall shave his head in the day of his cleansing, on the seventh day shall he shave it. And on the eighth day he shall bring two 10 turtledoves, or two young pigeons, to the priest, to the door of the tent of meeting : and the 11 priest shall offer one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and make atonement for him, for that he sinned by reason of the dead, and shall hallow his head that same day. And he shall separate unto the LORD the days 12 of his separation, and shall bring a he-lamb of the first year for a guilt offering : but the former days shall be void, because his separation was defiled.

And this is the law of the Nazirite, when 13 the days of his separation are fulfilled : he shall be brought unto the door of the tent of meeting : and he shall offer his oblation unto 14 the LORD, one he-lamb of the first year without blemish for a burnt offering, and one ewe-lamb of the first year without blemish for a sin offering, and one ram without blemish for peace offerings, and a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine 15 flour mingled with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and their meal offering, and their drink offerings. And the priest shall pre- 16 sent them before the LORD, and shall offer his sin offering, and his burnt offering : and he shall 17 offer the ram for a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, with the basket of unleavened

- bread : the priest shall offer also the meal offering thereof, and the drink offering thereof.
- 18 And the Nazirite shall shave the head of his separation at the door of the tent of meeting, and shall take the hair of the head of his separation, and put it on the fire which is under
- 19 the sacrifice of peace offerings. And the priest shall take the sodden shoulder of the ram, and one unleavened cake out of the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and shall put them upon the hands of the Nazirite, after he hath shaven *the*
- 20 *head* of his separation : and the priest shall wave them for a wave offering before the LORD ; this is holy for the priest, together with the wave breast and heave ¹thigh : and after ¹ Or, *shoulder*
- 21 that the Nazirite may drink wine. This is the law of the Nazirite who voweth, *and of* his oblation unto the LORD for his separation, beside that which he is able to get : according to his vow which he voweth, so he must do after the law of his separation.
- 22 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- 23 Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of Israel ; ye shall say unto them,
- 24 The LORD bless thee, and keep thee :
- 25 The LORD make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee :
- 26 The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.
- 27 So shall they put my name upon the children of Israel ; and I will bless them.
- 7 1 And it came to pass on the day that Moses had made an end of setting up the tabernacle, and had anointed it and sanctified it, and all the furniture thereof, and the altar and all the vessels thereof, and had anointed them and
- 2 sanctified them ; that the princes of Israel, the

heads of their fathers' houses, offered ; these were the princes of the tribes, these are they that were over them that were numbered : and ³ they brought their oblation before the LORD, six covered wagons, and twelve oxen ; a wagon for every two of the princes, and for each one an ox : and they presented them before the tabernacle. And the LORD spake unto Moses, ⁴ saying, Take it of them, that they may be to do ⁵ the service of the tent of meeting ; and thou shalt give them unto the Levites, to every man according to his service. And Moses took the ⁶ wagons and the oxen, and gave them unto the Levites. Two wagons and four oxen he gave ⁷ unto the sons of Gershon, according to their service : and four wagons and eight oxen he ⁸ gave unto the sons of Merari, according unto their service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest. But unto the sons of ⁹ Kohath he gave none : because the service of the sanctuary belonged unto them ; they bare it upon their shoulders. And the princes offered ¹⁰ ¹for the dedication of the altar in the day that it was anointed, even the princes offered their oblation before the altar. And the LORD said ¹¹ unto Moses, They shall offer their oblation, each prince on his day, for the dedication of the altar.

¹ Or, the dedication-gift

And he that offered his oblation the first day ¹² was Nahshon the son of Amminadab, of the tribe of Judah : and his oblation was one silver ¹³ charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary ; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal offering ; one golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of ¹⁴ incense ; one young bullock, one ram, one he- ¹⁵ lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering ; one ¹⁶

- 17 male of the goats for a sin offering ; and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year : this was the oblation of Nahshon the son of Amminadab.
- 18 On the second day Nethanel the son of
19 Zuar, prince of Issachar, did offer : he offered for his oblation one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary ; both of them full of fine flour
20 mingled with oil for a meal offering ; one golden
21 spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense ; one young bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year,
22 for a burnt offering ; one male of the goats for
23 a sin offering ; and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year : this was the oblation of Nethanel the son of Zuar.
- 24 On the third day Eliab the son of Helon,
25 prince of the children of Zebulun : his oblation was one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary ; both of them full of fine flour mingled
26 with oil for a meal offering ; one golden spoon
27 of ten *shekels*, full of incense ; one young bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year, for a
28 burnt offering ; one male of the goats for a sin
29 offering ; and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year : this was the oblation of Eliab the son of Helon.
- 30 On the fourth day Elizur the son of Shedeur,
31 prince of the children of Reuben : his oblation was one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanc-

tuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal offering; one golden spoon ³² of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young bullock, ³³ one ram, one he-lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering; one male of the goats for a sin ³⁴ offering; and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, ³⁵ two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year: this was the oblation of Elizur the son of Shedeur.

On the fifth day Shelumiel the son of Zuri- ³⁶ shaddai, prince of the children of Simeon: his ³⁷ oblation was one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal offering; one golden ³⁸ spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young ³⁹ bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering; one male of the goats for ⁴⁰ a sin offering; and for the sacrifice of peace ⁴¹ offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year: this was the oblation of Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

On the sixth day Eliasaph the son of Deuel, ⁴² prince of the children of Gad: his oblation was ⁴³ one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meal offering; one golden spoon ⁴⁴ of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young bullock, ⁴⁵ one ram, one he-lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering; one male of the goats for a sin ⁴⁶ offering; and for the sacrifice of peace offer- ⁴⁷ ings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year: this was the oblation of Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

On the seventh day Elishama the son of ⁴⁸

- Ammihud, prince of the children of Ephraim:
49 his oblation was one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour
50 mingled with oil for a meal offering; one golden
51 spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year,
52 for a burnt offering; one male of the goats for
53 a sin offering; and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year: this was the oblation of Elishama the son of Ammihud.
- 54 On the eighth day Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of the children of Manasseh:
55 his oblation was one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour
56 mingled with oil for a meal offering; one golden
57 spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year,
58 for a burnt offering; one male of the goats for
59 a sin offering; and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year: this was the oblation of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.
- 60 On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideoni,
61 prince of the children of Benjamin: his oblation was one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled
62 with oil for a meal offering; one golden spoon
63 of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year, for a
64 burnt offering; one male of the goats for a sin
65 offering; and for the sacrifice of peace offer-

ings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year: this was the oblation of Abidan the son of Gideoni.

On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Am- 66
mishaddai, prince of the children of Dan: his 67
oblation was one silver charger, the weight
thereof was an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one
silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel
of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour
mingled with oil for a meal offering; one golden 68
spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young 69
bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year,
for a burnt offering; one male of the goats for 70
a sin offering; and for the sacrifice of peace 71
offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats,
five he-lambs of the first year: this was the
oblation of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

On the eleventh day Pagiel the son of Ochran, 72
prince of the children of Asher: his oblation 73
was one silver charger, the weight thereof was
an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl
of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the
sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour
mingled with oil for a meal offering; one golden 74
spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young 75
bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year,
for a burnt offering; one male of the goats for 76
a sin offering; and for the sacrifice of peace 77
offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats,
five he-lambs of the first year: this was the
oblation of Pagiel the son of Ochran.

On the twelfth day Ahira the son of Enan, 78
prince of the children of Naphtali: his oblation 79
was one silver charger, the weight thereof was
an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl
of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the
sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour
mingled with oil for a meal offering; one golden 80

81 spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense; one young bullock, one ram, one he-lamb of the first year, 82 for a burnt offering; one male of the goats for 83 a sin offering; and for the sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he-goats, five he-lambs of the first year: this was the oblation of Ahira the son of Enan.

84 This was the ¹dedication of the altar, in the day when it was anointed, ²by the princes of Israel: twelve silver chargers, twelve silver <sup>1 Or, dedica-
tion-gift</sup> bowls, twelve golden spoons: each silver charger <sup>2 Or, at the
hands of</sup> *weighing* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, and each bowl seventy: all the silver of the vessels two thousand and four hundred *shekels*, after the

85 shekel of the sanctuary; the twelve golden spoons, full of incense, *weighing* ten *shekels* apiece, after the shekel of the sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons an hundred and twenty

86 *shekels*: all the oxen for the burnt offering twelve bullocks, the rams twelve, the he-lambs of the first year twelve, and their meal offering: and the males of the goats for a sin offering 87 twelve: and all the oxen for the sacrifice of peace offerings twenty and four bullocks, the rams sixty, the he-goats sixty, the he-lambs of the first year sixty. This was the ¹dedication of

88 the altar, after that it was anointed. And when 89 Moses went into the tent of meeting to speak with him, then he heard the Voice speaking unto him from above the mercy-seat that was upon the ark of the testimony, from between the two cherubim: and he spake unto him.

8 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

² Speak unto Aaron, and say unto him, When thou ³lightest the lamps, the seven lamps shall ^{3 Or, settest up} give light in front of the candlestick. And Aaron did so; he ⁴lighted the lamps thereof so ^{4 Or, set up} as to give light in front of the candlestick, as

¹ Or, *turned*

the LORD commanded Moses. And this was ⁴ the work of the candlestick, ¹beaten work of gold; unto the base thereof, *and* unto the flowers thereof, it was beaten work: according unto the pattern which the LORD had shewed Moses, so he made the candlestick.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ⁵ Take the Levites from among the children of ⁶ Israel, and cleanse them. And thus shalt thou ⁷ do unto them, to cleanse them: sprinkle the water of expiation upon them, and let them cause a razor to pass over all their flesh, and let them wash their clothes, and cleanse themselves. Then let them take a young bullock, ⁸ and its meal offering, fine flour mingled with oil, and another young bullock shalt thou take for a sin offering. And thou shalt present the ⁹ Levites before the tent of meeting: and thou shalt assemble the whole congregation of the children of Israel: and thou shalt present the ¹⁰ Levites before the LORD: and the children of Israel shall lay their hands upon the Levites: and Aaron shall ²offer the Levites before the ¹¹ LORD for a wave offering, ³on the behalf of the children of Israel, that they may be to do the service of the LORD. And the Levites shall ¹² lay their hands upon the heads of the bullocks: and offer thou the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, unto the LORD, to make atonement for the Levites. And thou ¹³ shalt set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and offer them for a wave offering unto the LORD. Thus shalt thou separate the ¹⁴ Levites from among the children of Israel: and the Levites shall be mine. And after that ¹⁵ shall the Levites go in to do the service of the tent of meeting: and thou shalt cleanse them, and offer them for a wave offering. For they ¹⁶

² Heb. *wave*,
and in vv. 13,
15, 21.

³ Or, *from*

- are ¹wholly given unto me from among the children of Israel; instead of all that openeth the womb, even the firstborn of all the children
- ¹⁷ of Israel, have I taken them unto me. For all the firstborn among the children of Israel are mine, both man and beast: on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I
- ¹⁸ sanctified them for myself. And I have taken the Levites instead of all the firstborn among
- ¹⁹ the children of Israel. And I have given the Levites as ²a gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the children of Israel, to do the service of the children of Israel in the tent of meeting, and to make atonement for the children of Israel: that there be no plague among the children of Israel, ³when the children
- ²⁰ of Israel come nigh unto the sanctuary. Thus did Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the Levites: according unto all that the LORD commanded Moses touching the Levites, so did the children
- ²¹ of Israel unto them. And the Levites purified themselves from sin, and they washed their clothes; and Aaron offered them for a wave offering before the LORD; and Aaron made
- ²² atonement for them to cleanse them. And after that went the Levites in to do their service in the tent of meeting before Aaron, and before his sons: as the LORD had commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did they unto them.
- ²³ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- ²⁴ This is that which belongeth unto the Levites: from twenty and five years old and upward they shall go in ⁴to wait upon the service in the work
- ²⁵ of the tent of meeting: and from the age of fifty years they shall ⁵cease waiting upon the
- ²⁶ work, and shall serve no more; but shall

¹ See ch. iii. 9.² Heb. *Neth-unim*, given.³ Or, *through the children of Israel coming nigh*⁴ Heb. *to war the warfare in the work.*⁵ Heb. *return from the warfare of the work.*

minister with their brethren in the tent of meeting, to keep the charge, and shall do no service. Thus shalt thou do unto the Levites touching their charges.

And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying, Moreover let the children of Israel keep the passover in its appointed season. In the fourteenth day of this month,

¹ Heb. *between the two evenings.*

¹at even, ye shall keep it in its appointed season: according to all the statutes of it, and according to all the ordinances thereof, shall ye keep it. And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, that they should keep the passover. And they kept the passover in the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month, ¹at even, in the wilderness of Sinai: according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did the children of Israel. And there were certain men, who were unclean by the dead body of a man, so that they could not keep the passover on that day: and they came before Moses and before Aaron on that day: and those men said unto him, We are unclean by the dead body of a man: wherefore are we kept back, that we may not offer the oblation of the LORD in its appointed season among the children of Israel? And Moses said unto them, Stay ye; that I may hear what the LORD will command concerning you.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If any man of you or of your generations shall be unclean by reason of a dead body, or be in a journey afar off, yet he shall keep the passover unto the LORD: in the second month on the fourteenth day ¹at even they shall keep it; they shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter

- 12 herbs: they shall leave none of it unto the morning, nor break a bone thereof: according to all the statute of the passover they shall
- 13 keep it. But the man that is clean, and is not in a journey, and forbeareth to keep the passover, that soul shall be cut off from his people: because he offered not the oblation of the LORD in its appointed season, that man shall bear his
- 14 sin. And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the passover unto the LORD; according to the statute of the passover, and according to the ordinance thereof, so shall he do: ye shall have one statute, both for the stranger, and for him that is born in the land.
- 15 And on the day that the tabernacle was reared up the cloud covered the tabernacle, even the tent of the testimony: and at even it was upon the tabernacle as it were the appearance
- 16 of fire, until morning. So it was alway: the cloud covered it, and the appearance of fire by
- 17 night. And whenever the cloud was taken up from over the Tent, then after that the children of Israel journeyed: and in the place where the cloud abode, there the children of Israel en-
- 18 camped. At the commandment of the LORD the children of Israel journeyed, and at the commandment of the LORD they encamped: as long as the cloud abode upon the tabernacle
- 19 they remained encamped. And when the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle many days, then the children of Israel kept the charge of the LORD,
- 20 and journeyed not. And sometimes the cloud was a few days upon the tabernacle; then according to the commandment of the LORD they remained encamped, and according to the com-
- 21 mandment of the LORD they journeyed. And sometimes the cloud was from evening until morning; and when the cloud was taken up

in the morning, they journeyed: or *if it continued* by day and by night, when the cloud was taken up, they journeyed. Whether it were ²² two days, or a month, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle, abiding thereon, the children of Israel remained encamped, and journeyed not: but when it was taken up, they journeyed. At the commandment of the LORD ²³ they encamped, and at the commandment of the LORD they journeyed: they kept the charge of the LORD, at the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹ **10**
¹ Or, *turned* Make thee two trumpets of silver; of ¹beaten ²
work shalt thou make them: and thou shalt use them for the calling of the congregation, and for the journeying of the camps. And when they ³
shall blow with them, all the congregation shall gather themselves unto thee at the door of the tent of meeting. And if they blow but with ⁴
one, then the princes, the heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee. And when ye blow an alarm, the camps that lie ⁵
on the east side shall take their journey. And ⁶
when ye blow an alarm the second time, the camps that lie on the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys. But when the assembly is to be ⁷
gathered together, ye shall blow, but ye shall not sound an alarm. And the sons of Aaron, ⁸
the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to you for a statute for ever throughout your generations. And when ye go ⁹
to war in your land against the adversary that oppresseth you, then ye shall sound an alarm with the trumpets; and ye shall be remembered before the LORD your God, and ye shall be saved from your enemies. Also in the day of ¹⁰

your gladness, and in your set feasts, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; and they shall be to you for a memorial before your God: I am the LORD your God.

- 11 And it came to pass in the second year, in the second month, on the twentieth day of the month, that the cloud was taken up from
12 over the tabernacle of the testimony. And the children of Israel set forward according to their journeys out of the wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud abode in the wilderness of Paran.
13 And they first took their journey according to the commandment of the LORD by the
14 hand of Moses. And in the first *place* the standard of the camp of the children of Judah set forward according to their hosts: and over his host was Nahshon the son of Amminadab.
15 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Issachar was Nethanel the son of Zuar.
16 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun was Eliab the son of Helon.
17 And the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari, who
18 bare the tabernacle, set forward. And the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to their hosts: and over his host
19 was Elizur the son of Shedeur. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon
20 was Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. And over the host of the tribe of the children of
21 Gad was Eliasaph the son of Deuel. And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and *the other* did set up the tabernacle against
22 they came. And the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set forward according

to their hosts : and over his host was Elishama the son of Ammihud. And over the host of the 23 tribe of the children of Manasseh was Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. And over the host of the 24 tribe of the children of Benjamin was Abidan the son of Gideoni. And the standard of the 25 camp of the children of Dan, which was the rearward of all the camps, set forward according to their hosts : and over his host was Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai. And over the host 26 of the tribe of the children of Asher was Pagiel the son of Ochran. And over the host of the 27 tribe of the children of Naphtali was Ahira the son of Enan. Thus were the journeyings of 28 the children of Israel according to their hosts; and they set forward.

And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of 29 Reuel the Midianite, Moses' father in law, We are journeying unto the place of which the LORD said, I will give it you : come thou with us, and we will do thee good : for the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel. And he said unto him, 30 I will not go ; but I will depart to mine own land, and to my kindred. And he said, Leave 31 us not, I pray thee ; forasmuch as thou knowest how we are to encamp in the wilderness, and thou shalt be to us instead of eyes. And it 32 shall be, if thou go with us, yea, it shall be, that what good soever the LORD shall do unto us, the same will we do unto thee.

And they set forward from the mount of the 33 LORD three days' journey ; and the ark of the covenant of the LORD went before them three days' journey, to seek out a resting place for them. And the cloud of the LORD was over 34 them by day, when they set forward from the camp.

And it came to pass, when the ark set for- 35

ward, that Moses said, Rise up, O LORD, and let thine enemies be scattered; and let them
 36 that hate thee flee before thee. And when it rested, he said, Return, O LORD, unto the ten thousands of the thousands of Israel.

- 11 1 And the people were as murmurers, ¹*speaking* evil in the ears of the LORD: and when the LORD heard it, his anger was kindled; and the fire of the LORD burnt among them, and devoured in the uttermost part of the camp. ¹ Or, which was evil
- 2 And the people cried unto Moses; and Moses prayed unto the LORD, and the fire abated.
- 3 And the name of that place was called ²Taberah: because the fire of the LORD burnt among them. ² That is, Burning.
- 4 And the mixed multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us
- 5 flesh to eat? We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt for nought; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions,
- 6 and the garlick: but now our soul is dried away; there is nothing at all: we have nought
- 7 save this manna to look to. And the manna was like coriander seed, and the ³appearance thereof ³ Heb. eye.
- 8 as the appearance of bdellium. The people went about, and gathered it, and ground it in mills, or beat it in mortars, and seethed it in pots, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it was as the
- 9 taste of ⁴fresh oil. And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell ⁵upon it. ⁴ Or, cakes baked with oil
- 10 And Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, every man at the door of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was kindled
- 11 greatly; and Moses was displeased. And Moses said unto the LORD, Wherefore hast thou evil entreated thy servant? and wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest
- 12 the burden of all this people upon me? Have I
- ⁵ Or, with

conceived all this people? have I brought them forth, that thou shouldest say unto me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing-father carrieth the sucking child, unto the land which thou swarest unto their fathers? Whence should I ¹³ have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat. I am not able to bear all this people ¹⁴ alone, because it is too heavy for me. And if ¹⁵ thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favour in thy sight; and let me not see my wretchedness.

And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto ¹⁶ me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with thee. And I will come down and talk with ¹⁷ thee there: and I will take of the spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear it not thyself alone. And ¹⁸ say thou unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to-morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the LORD, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for it was well with us in Egypt: therefore the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat. Ye shall not eat ¹⁹ one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days; but a whole month, ²⁰ until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have rejected the LORD which is among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt? And Moses said, The people, ²¹ among whom I am, are six hundred thousand footmen; and thou hast said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month. Shall ²²

flocks and herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them?

23 And the LORD said unto Moses, Is the LORD's hand waxed short? now shalt thou see whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not.

24 And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD: and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them

25 round about the Tent. And the LORD came down in the cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and put it upon the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they

26 prophesied, but they did so no more. But there remained two men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the spirit rested upon them; and they were of them that were written, but had not gone out unto the Tent: and they pro-

27 phesied in the camp. And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and

28 Medad do prophesy in the camp. And Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of Moses, ¹one of his chosen men, answered and said, My lord

¹ Or, from his youth

29 Moses, forbid them. And Moses said unto him, Art thou jealous for my sake? would God that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the

30 LORD would put his spirit upon them! And Moses gat him into the camp, he and the elders

31 of Israel. And there went forth a wind from the LORD, and brought quails from the sea, and let them fall ²by the camp, about a day's journey

² Or, over

on this side, and a day's journey on the other side, round about the camp, and about two cubits

32 above the face of the earth. And the people rose up all that day, and all the night, and all the next day, and gathered the quails: he that

gathered least gathered ten homers : and they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp. While the flesh was yet ³³ between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the anger of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague. And the name of that place ³⁴ was called ¹Kibroth-hattaavah : because there they buried the people that lusted. From ³⁵ Kibroth-hattaavah the people journeyed unto Hazeroth ; and they abode at Hazeroth.

¹ That is, *The graves of lust.*

And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses ¹ **12** because of the Cushite woman whom he had married : for he had married a Cushite woman. And they said, Hath the LORD indeed spoken ² only ²with Moses ? hath he not spoken also ²with us ? And the LORD heard it. Now the ³ man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth. And ⁴ the LORD spake suddenly unto Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, Come out ye three unto the tent of meeting. And they three came out. And the LORD came down in a ⁵ pillar of cloud, and stood at the door of the Tent, and called Aaron and Miriam : and they both came forth. And he said, Hear now my ⁶ words : if there be a prophet among you, I the LORD will make myself known unto him in a vision, I will speak with him in a dream. My ⁷ servant Moses is not so ; he is faithful in all mine house : with him will I speak mouth to mouth, ⁸ even manifestly, and not in dark speeches ; and the form of the LORD shall he behold : wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant, against Moses ? And the anger of ⁹ the LORD was kindled against them ; and he departed. And the cloud removed from over ¹⁰ the Tent ; and, behold, Miriam was leprous, as

² Or, *by*

- white as snow*: and Aaron looked upon Miriam,
11 and, behold, she was leprous. And Aaron said
unto Moses, Oh my lord, lay not, I pray thee,
sin upon us, for that we have done foolishly,
12 and for that we have sinned. Let her not, I
pray, be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half
consumed when he cometh out of his mother's
13 womb. And Moses cried unto the LORD, say-
14 ing, Heal her, O God, I beseech thee. And
the LORD said unto Moses, If her father had
but spit in her face, should she not be ashamed
seven days? let her be shut up without the
camp seven days, and after that she shall be
15 brought in again. And Miriam was shut up
without the camp seven days: and the people
journeyed not till Miriam was brought in again.
16 And afterward the people journeyed from Hazer-
oth, and pitched in the wilderness of Paran.
- 13 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Send thou men, that they may spy out the land
of Canaan, which I give unto the children of
Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye
send a man, every one a prince among them.
3 And Moses sent them from the wilderness of
Paran according to the commandment of the
LORD: all of them men who were heads of the
4 children of Israel. And these were their
names: of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the
5 son of Zaccur. Of the tribe of Simeon, Sha-
6 phat the son of Hori. Of the tribe of Judah,
7 Caleb the son of Jephunneh. Of the tribe of
8 Issachar, Igal the son of Joseph. Of the tribe
9 of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Nun. Of the
10 tribe of Benjamin, Palti the son of Raphu. Of
the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the son of Sodi.
11 Of the tribe of Joseph, *namely*, of the tribe of
12 Manasseh, Gaddi the son of Susi. Of the tribe
13 of Dan, Ammiel the son of Gemalli. Of the

tribe of Asher, Sethur the son of Michael.
 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of ¹⁴
 Vophsi. Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of ¹⁵
 Machi. These are the names of the men which ¹⁶
 Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses
 called Hoshea the son of Nun Joshua. And ¹⁷
 Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan,
 and said unto them, Get you up this way ¹by the
 South, and go up into the mountains: and see ¹⁸
 the land, what it is; and the people that dwell-
 eth therein, whether they be strong or weak,
 whether they be few or many; and what the ¹⁹
 land is that they dwell in, whether it be good
 or bad; and what cities they be that they dwell
 in, whether in camps, or in strong holds; and ²⁰
 what the land is, whether it be fat or lean,
 whether there be wood therein, or not. And
 be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit
 of the land. Now the time was the time of
 the firstripe grapes. So they went up, and ²¹
 spied out the land from the wilderness of Zin
 unto Rehob, to the entering in of Hamath. And ²²
 they went up ¹by the South, and came unto
 Hebron; and Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmi,
 the children of Anak, were there. (Now
 Hebron was built seven years before Zoan in
 Egypt.) And they came unto the valley of ²³
 Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch
 with one cluster of grapes, and they bare it
 upon a staff between two; *they brought* also of
 the pomegranates, and of the figs. That place ²⁴
 was called the valley of ²Eshcol, because of the
 cluster which the children of Israel cut down
 from thence. And they returned from spying ²⁵
 out the land at the end of forty days. And ²⁶
 they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron,
 and to all the congregation of the children of
 Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh;

¹ Or, *into*

² That is,
a cluster.

and brought back word unto them, and unto all the congregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land. And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it. Howbeit the people that dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are fenced, *and* very great: and moreover we saw the children of Anak there. Amalek dwelleth in the land of the South: and the Hittite, and the Jebusite, and the Amorite, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanite dwelleth by the sea, and along by the side of Jordan. And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it. But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we. And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had spied out unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to spy it out, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of great stature. And there we saw the ¹Nephilim, the sons of Anak, which come of the Nephilim: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight. ¹ Or, *giants*

- 14** ¹ And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.
² And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness! And wherefore doth the LORD bring us unto this land, to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones shall be a prey: were it not better for us to return into

Egypt? And they said one to another, Let us 4
make a captain, and let us return into Egypt.
Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces 5
before all the assembly of the congregation of
the children of Israel. And Joshua the son of 6
Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which
were of them that spied out the land, rent their
clothes: and they spake unto all the congrega- 7
tion of the children of Israel, saying, The land,
which we passed through to spy it out, is an
exceeding good land. If the LORD delight in 8
us, then he will bring us into this land, and
give it unto us; a land which floweth with milk
and honey. Only rebel not against the LORD, 9
neither fear ye the people of the land; for
¹ Heb. *shadow*. they are bread for us: their ¹defence is re-
moved from over them, and the LORD is with
us: fear them not. But all the congregation 10
bade stone them with stones. And the glory
of the LORD appeared in the tent of meeting
unto all the children of Israel.

And the LORD said unto Moses, How long 11
will this people despise me? and how long will
they not believe in me, for all the signs which
I have wrought among them? I will smite 12
them with the pestilence, and disinherit them,
and will make of thee a nation greater and
mightier than they. And Moses said unto the 13
LORD, Then the Egyptians shall hear it; for
thou broughtest up this people in thy might
from among them; and they will tell it to the 14
inhabitants of this land: they have heard that
thou LORD art in the midst of this people; for
thou LORD art seen ²face to face, and thy cloud
² Heb. *eye to eye*. standeth over them, and thou goest before
them, in a pillar of cloud by day, and in a
pillar of fire by night. Now if thou shalt kill 15
this people as one man, then the nations which

- have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying,
16 Because the LORD was not able to bring this people into the land which he sware unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.
17 And now, I pray thee, let the power of the Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken,
18 saying, The LORD is slow to anger, and plentiful in mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and that will by no means clear *the guilty*; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, upon the third and upon the
19 fourth generation. Pardon, I pray thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and according as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until
20 now. And the LORD said, I have pardoned
21 according to thy word: but in very deed, as I live, and as all the earth shall be filled with
22 the glory of the LORD; because all those men which have seen my glory, and my signs, which I wrought in Egypt and in the wilderness, yet have tempted me these ten times, and have not
23 hearkened to my voice; surely they shall not see the land which I sware unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that despised me see
24 it: but my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.
25 Now the Amalekite and the Canaanite dwell in the valley: to-morrow turn ye, and get you into the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea.
26 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto
27 Aaron, saying, How long *shall I bear* with this evil congregation, which murmur against me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against

me. Say unto them, As I live, saith the LORD, 28
surely as ye have spoken in mine ears, so
will I do to you: your carcasses shall fall in 29
this wilderness; and all that were numbered
of you, according to your whole number, from
twenty years old and upward, which have mur-
mured against me, surely ye shall not come 30
into the land, concerning which I lifted up my
hand that I would make you dwell therein, save
Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the
son of Nun. But your little ones, which ye 31
said should be a prey, them will I bring in,
and they shall know the land which ye have
rejected. But as for you, your carcasses shall 32
fall in this wilderness. And your children shall 33
be ¹wanderers in the wilderness forty years, and
shall bear your whoredoms, until your carcasses be
consumed in the wilderness. After the number 34
of the days in which ye spied out the land, even
forty days, for every day a year, shall ye bear
your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall
know ²my alienation. I the LORD have spoken, 35
surely this will I do unto all this evil congrega-
tion, that are gathered together against me:
in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and
there they shall die. And the men, which 36
Moses sent to spy out the land, who returned,
and made all the congregation to murmur
against him, by bringing up an evil report
against the land, even those men that did 37
bring up an evil report of the land, died by
the plague before the LORD. But Joshua the 38
son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh,
remained alive of those men that went to spy
out the land. And Moses told these words 39
unto all the children of Israel: and the people
mourned greatly. And they rose up early in 40
the morning, and gat them up to the top of the

¹ Heb.
shepherds.

² Or, *the re-
voking of my
promise*

mountain, saying, Lo, we be here, and will go up unto the place which the LORD hath
 41 promised: for we have sinned. And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the LORD, seeing it shall not prosper?
 42 Go not up, for the LORD is not among you; that ye be not smitten down before your enemies. For there the Amalekite and the
 43 Canaanite are before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned back from following the LORD, therefore the LORD will
 44 not be with you. But they presumed to go up to the top of the mountain: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and
 45 Moses, departed not out of the camp. Then the Amalekite came down, and the Canaanite which dwelt in that mountain, and smote them and beat them down, even unto Hormah.

15 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land of your
 3 habitations, which I give unto you, and will make an offering by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, or a sacrifice, ¹to accomplish a vow, or
 as a freewill offering, or in your set feasts, to make a sweet savour unto the LORD, of the
 4 herd, or of the flock: then shall he that offereth his oblation offer unto the LORD a meal offering of a tenth part of *an ephah* of fine flour mingled
 5 with the fourth part of an hin of oil: and wine for the drink offering, the fourth part of an hin, shalt thou prepare with the burnt offering or
 6 for the sacrifice, for each lamb. Or for a ram, thou shalt prepare for a meal offering two tenth parts of *an ephah* of fine flour mingled with the
 7 third part of an hin of oil: and for the drink offering thou shalt offer the third part of an hin

¹ Or, *in making a special vow*

¹ Or, in
making a
special vow

of wine, of a sweet savour unto the LORD. And when thou preparest a bullock for a burnt 8 offering, or for a sacrifice, ¹to accomplish a vow, or for peace offerings unto the LORD: then 9 shall he offer with the bullock a meal offering of three tenth parts *of an ephah* of fine flour mingled with half an hin of oil. And thou shalt 10 offer for the drink offering half an hin of wine, for an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD. Thus shall it be done for each 11 bullock, or for each ram, or for each of the he-lambs, or of the kids. According to the number 12 that ye shall prepare, so shall ye do to every one according to their number. All that are 13 homeborn shall do these things after this manner, in offering an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD. And if a stranger 14 sojourn with you, or whosoever be among you throughout your generations, and will offer an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD; as ye do, so he shall do. For the 15 assembly, there shall be one statute for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth *with you*, a statute for ever throughout your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before the LORD. One law and one ordinance shall be 16 for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you.

¹ Or, coarse
meal

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 17 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto 18 them, When ye come into the land whither I bring you, then it shall be, that, when ye eat 19 of the bread of the land, ye shall offer up an heave offering unto the LORD. Of the first of 20 your ¹dough ye shall offer up a cake for an heave offering: as ye do the heave offering of the threshing-floor, so shall ye heave it. Of 21 the first of your dough ye shall give unto the

LORD an heave offering throughout your generations.

- 22 And when ye shall err, and not observe all
these commandments, which the LORD hath
23 spoken unto Moses, even all that the LORD
hath commanded you by the hand of Moses,
from the day that the LORD gave command-
ment, and onward throughout your generations;
24 then it shall be, if it be done ¹unwittingly, with-
out the knowledge of the congregation, that all
the congregation shall offer one young bullock
for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour unto the
LORD, with the meal offering thereof, and the
drink offering thereof, according to the ordin-
25 ance, and one he-goat for a sin offering. And
the priest shall make atonement for all the
congregation of the children of Israel, and they
shall be forgiven; for it was an error, and they
have brought their oblation, an offering made by
fire unto the LORD, and their sin offering before
26 the LORD, for their error: and all the congrega-
tion of the children of Israel shall be forgiven,
and the stranger that sojourneth among them;
for in respect of all the people it was done un-
27 wittingly. And if one person sin unwittingly,
then he shall offer a she-goat of the first year for
28 a sin offering. And the priest shall make atone-
ment for the soul that erreth, when he sinneth
unwittingly, before the LORD, to make atone-
29 ment for him; and he shall be forgiven. Ye
shall have one law for him that doeth aught
unwittingly, for him that is homeborn among
the children of Israel, and for the stranger that
30 sojourneth among them. But the soul that
doeth aught with an high hand, whether he be
homeborn or a stranger, the same blasphemeth
the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from
31 among his people. Because he hath despised

¹ Or, *in error*

the word of the LORD, and hath broken his commandment; that soul shall utterly be cut off, his iniquity shall be upon him.

And while the children of Israel were in ³² the wilderness, they found a man gathering sticks upon the sabbath day. And they that ³³ found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto all the congregation. And they put him in ward, because it ³⁴ had not been declared what should be done to him. And the LORD said unto Moses, The ³⁵ man shall surely be put to death: all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp. And all the congregation brought ³⁶ him without the camp, and stoned him with stones, and he died; as the LORD commanded Moses.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ³⁷ Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them ³⁸ that they make them ¹fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of each border a cord of blue: and it shall be unto you ³⁹ for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the LORD, and do them; and that ye ²go not about after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring: that ye may remember ⁴⁰ and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God. I am the LORD your God, which ⁴¹ brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the LORD your God.

¹ Or, tassels in the corners

² Heb. spy not out.

Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of ¹ 16 Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took *men*: and they ² rose up before Moses, with certain of the child-

ren of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the congregation, called to the assembly, men
3 of renown: and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, ¹Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are holy, every one of them, and the LORD is among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the assembly of the LORD? And when Moses heard it,
4 he fell upon his face: and he spake unto Korah and unto all his company, saying, In the morning the LORD will shew who are his, and who is holy, and ²will cause him to come near unto him: even him whom he shall choose will he
5 cause to come near unto him. This do; take
6 you censers, Korah, and all his company; and put fire therein, and put incense upon them before the LORD to-morrow: and it shall be that the man whom the LORD doth choose, he
7 shall be holy: ye take too much upon you, ye
8 sons of Levi. And Moses said unto Korah,
9 Hear now, ye sons of Levi: *seemeth it but* a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel hath separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to himself; to do the service of the tabernacle of the LORD, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them;
10 and that he hath brought thee near, and all thy brethren the sons of Levi with thee? and
11 seek ye the priesthood also? Therefore thou and all thy company are gathered together against the LORD: and Aaron, what is he that
12 ye murmur against him? And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab:
13 and they said, We will not come up: is it a small thing that thou hast brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, but thou must needs

¹ Heb. *It is enough for you.*

² Or, *whom he will cause to come near*

¹ Heb. *bore out.*

make thyself also a prince over us? Moreover ¹⁴ thou hast not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey, nor given us inheritance of fields and vineyards: wilt thou ¹put out the eyes of these men? we will not come up. And ¹⁵ Moses was very wroth, and said unto the LORD, Respect not thou their offering: I have not taken one ass from them, neither have I hurt one of them. And Moses said unto Korah, ¹⁶ Be thou and all thy congregation before the LORD, thou, and they, and Aaron, to-morrow: and take ye every man his censer, and put ¹⁷ incense upon them, and bring ye before the LORD every man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers; thou also, and Aaron, each his censer. And they took every man his censer, ¹⁸ and put fire in them, and laid incense thereon, and stood at the door of the tent of meeting with Moses and Aaron. And Korah assembled ¹⁹ all the congregation against them unto the door of the tent of meeting: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the congregation.

And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto ²⁰ Aaron, saying, Separate yourselves from among ²¹ this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment. And they fell upon their faces, and ²² said, O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and wilt thou be wroth with all the congregation? And the LORD spake ²³ unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the congrega- ²⁴ tion, saying, Get you up from about the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram. And ²⁵ Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram; and the elders of Israel followed him. And he spake unto the congregation, saying, ²⁶ Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest ye be consumed in all their sins. So they gat ²⁷

them up from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side: and Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood at the door of their tents, and their wives, and their sons, and their
 28 little ones. And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to do all these works; for *I have not done them* of mine own
 29 mind. If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men; then the LORD hath not sent me.

30 But if the LORD ¹make a new thing, and the ground open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down alive into ²the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have despised the LORD.

¹ Heb. *create a creation.*

² Heb. *Sheol.*

31 And it came to pass, as he made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave
 32 asunder that was under them: and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and all the men that apper-
 33 tained unto Korah, and all their goods. So they, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into ²the pit: and the earth closed upon them, and they perished from among the
 34 assembly. And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them: for they
 35 said, Lest the earth swallow us up. And fire came forth from the LORD, and devoured the two hundred and fifty men that offered the incense.

36 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
 37 Speak unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, that he take up the censers out of the burning, and scatter thou the fire yonder; for they are
 38 holy; even the censers of ³these sinners against their own ⁴lives, and let them be made beaten plates for a covering of the altar: for they offered them before the LORD, therefore they are holy:

[Ch. xvii. 1 in Heb.]

³ Or, *these men who have sinned at the cost of their lives*

⁴ Or, *souls*

and they shall be a sign unto the children of Israel. And Eleazar the priest took the brasen censers, which they that were burnt had offered; and they beat them out for a covering of the altar: to be a memorial unto the children of Israel, to the end that no stranger, which is not of the seed of Aaron, come near to burn incense before the LORD; that he be not as Korah, and as his company: as the LORD spake unto him by the hand of Moses.

But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the people of the LORD. And it came to pass, when the congregation was assembled against Moses and against Aaron, that they looked toward the tent of meeting: and, behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the LORD appeared. And Moses and Aaron came to the front of the tent of meeting. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Get you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment. And they fell upon their faces. And Moses said unto Aaron, Take thy censer, and put fire therein from off the altar, and lay incense thereon, and carry it quickly unto the congregation, and make atonement for them: for there is wrath gone out from the LORD; the plague is begun. And Aaron took as Moses spake, and ran into the midst of the assembly; and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and he put on the incense, and made atonement for the people. And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed. Now they that died by the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred, besides them that died about the matter of Korah. And Aaron returned

unto Moses unto the door of the tent of meeting: and the plague was stayed.

- 17** ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, [Ch. xvii. 16
in Heb.]
² Speak unto the children of Israel, and take of them rods, one for each fathers' house, of all their princes according to their fathers' houses, twelve rods: write thou every man's name upon
³ his rod. And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for there shall be one rod
⁴ for each head of their fathers' houses. And thou shalt lay them up in the tent of meeting before
⁵ the testimony, where I meet with you. And it shall come to pass, that the man whom I shall choose, his rod shall bud: and I will make to cease from me the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against you.
⁶ And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, and all their princes gave him rods, for each prince one, according to their fathers' houses, even twelve rods: and the rod of Aaron was
⁷ among their rods. And Moses laid up the rods before the LORD in the tent of the testimony.
⁸ And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses went into the tent of the testimony; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and put forth buds, and bloomed
⁹ blossoms, and bare ripe almonds. And Moses brought out all the rods from before the LORD unto all the children of Israel: and they looked,
¹⁰ and took every man his rod. And the LORD said unto Moses, Put back the rod of Aaron before the testimony, to be kept for a token against the children of rebellion; that thou mayest make an end of their murmurings
¹¹ against me, that they die not. Thus did Moses: as the LORD commanded him, so did he.
¹² And the children of Israel spake unto Moses,

saying, Behold, we perish, we are undone, we are all undone. Every one that cometh near, ¹³ that cometh near unto the tabernacle of the LORD, ¹dieth: shall we perish all of us?

¹ Or, *shall die*

And the LORD said unto Aaron, Thou and ¹ **18** thy sons and thy fathers' house with thee shall bear the iniquity of the sanctuary: and thou and thy sons with thee shall bear the iniquity of your priesthood. And thy brethren also, the ² tribe of Levi, the tribe of thy father, bring thou near with thee, that they may be ³joined unto thee, and minister unto thee: but thou and thy sons with thee shall be before the tent of the testimony. And they shall keep thy charge, ³ and the charge of all the Tent: only they shall not come nigh unto the vessels of the sanctuary and unto the altar, that they die not, neither they, nor ye. And they shall be joined unto ⁴ thee, and keep the charge of the tent of meeting, for all the service of the Tent: and a stranger shall not come nigh unto you. And ye shall ⁵ keep the charge of the sanctuary, and the charge of the altar: that there be wrath no more upon the children of Israel. And I, be- ⁶ hold, I have taken your brethren the Levites from among the children of Israel: to you they are a gift, given unto the LORD, to do the service of the tent of meeting. And thou ⁷ and thy sons with thee shall keep your priesthood for every thing of the altar, and for that within the veil; and ye shall serve: I give you the priesthood as a service of gift: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

² See Gen. xxix. 34.

And the LORD spake unto Aaron, And I, ⁸ behold, I have given thee the charge of mine heave offerings, even all the hallowed things of

the children of Israel, unto thee have I given them ¹by reason of the anointing, and to thy
 9 sons, as a due for ever. This shall be thine
 of the most holy things, *reserved* from the fire:
 every oblation of theirs, even every meal offer-
 ing of theirs, and every sin offering of theirs,
 and every guilt offering of theirs, which they
 shall render unto me, shall be most holy for
 10 thee and for thy sons. As the most holy things
 shalt thou eat thereof: every male shall eat
 11 thereof; it shall be holy unto thee. And this is
 thine; the heave offering of their gift, even all
 the wave offerings of the children of Israel: I
 have given them unto thee, and to thy sons
 and to thy daughters with thee, as a due for
 ever: every one that is clean in thy house shall
 12 eat thereof. All the ²best of the oil, and all the ²best of the vintage, and of the corn, the first-
 fruits of them which they give unto the LORD,
 13 to thee have I given them. The firstripe fruits
 of all that is in their land, which they bring
 unto the LORD, shall be thine; every one that
 14 is clean in thy house shall eat thereof. Every
 15 thing devoted in Israel shall be thine. Every
 thing that openeth the womb, of all flesh which
 they offer unto the LORD, both of man and
 beast, shall be thine: nevertheless the firstborn
 of man shalt thou surely redeem, and the first-
 16 ling of unclean beasts shalt thou redeem. ³And ³Or, *And as to their redemp-
 tion money,
 from a month
 old shalt thou
 redeem them*
 those that are to be redeemed of them from a
 month old shalt thou redeem, according to thine
 estimation, for the money of five shekels, after
 the shekel of the sanctuary (the same is twenty
 17 gerahs). But the firstling of an ox, or the first-
 ling of a sheep, or the firstling of a goat, thou
 shalt not redeem; they are holy: thou shalt
 sprinkle their blood upon the altar, and shalt
 burn their fat for an offering made by fire, for a

¹ Or, *for a portion*² Heb. *fat*.³ Or, *And as to their redemp-
 tion money,
 from a month
 old shalt thou
 redeem them*

sweet savour unto the LORD. And the flesh of 18
them shall be thine, as the wave breast and as
the right thigh, it shall be thine. All the heave 19
offerings of the holy things, which the children
of Israel offer unto the LORD, have I given
thee, and thy sons and thy daughters with thee,
as a due for ever: it is a covenant of salt for
ever before the LORD unto thee and to thy seed
with thee. And the LORD said unto Aaron, 20
Thou shalt have no inheritance in their land,
neither shalt thou have any portion among
them: I am thy portion and thine inheritance
among the children of Israel.

And unto the children of Levi, behold, I 21
have given all the tithe in Israel for an inherit-
ance, in return for their service which they
serve, even the service of the tent of meeting.
And henceforth the children of Israel shall 22
not come nigh the tent of meeting, lest they
bear sin, and die. But the Levites shall do 23
the service of the tent of meeting, and they
shall bear their iniquity: it shall be a statute for
ever throughout your generations, and among
the children of Israel they shall have no inherit-
ance. For the tithe of the children of Israel, 24
which they offer as an heave offering unto the
LORD, I have given to the Levites for an in-
heritance: therefore I have said unto them,
Among the children of Israel they shall have
no inheritance.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 25
Moreover thou shalt speak unto the Levites, 26
and say unto them, When ye take of the child-
ren of Israel the tithe which I have given you
from them for your inheritance, then ye shall
offer up an heave offering of it for the LORD,
a tithe of the tithe. And your heave offering 27
shall be reckoned unto you, as though it were

the corn of the threshing-floor, and as the ful-
 28 ness of the winepress. Thus ye also shall offer
 an heave offering unto the LORD of all your
 tithes, which ye receive of the children of Is-
 rael; and thereof ye shall give the LORD's
 29 heave offering to Aaron the priest. Out of all
 your gifts ye shall offer every heave offering of
 the LORD, of all the ¹best thereof, even the ¹ Heb. *fat*.
 30 hallowed part thereof out of it. Therefore thou
 shalt say unto them, When ye heave the ¹best
 thereof from it, then it shall be counted unto
 the Levites as the increase of the threshing-floor,
 31 and as the increase of the winepress. And ye
 shall eat it in every place, ye and your house-
 holds: for it is your reward in return for your
 32 service in the tent of meeting. And ye shall
 bear no sin by reason of it, when ye have
 heaved from it the ¹best thereof: and ye shall
 not profane the holy things of the children of
 Israel, ²that ye die not. ² Or, *neither*
shall ye die

19 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto
 2 Aaron, saying, This is the statute of the law
 which the LORD hath commanded, saying,
 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they
 bring thee a red heifer ³without spot, wherein is ³ Or, *perfect*
 no blemish, *and* upon which never came yoke:
 3 and ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest,
 and he shall bring her forth without the camp,
 4 and one shall slay her before his face: and
 Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with
 his finger, and sprinkle of her blood toward
 the front of the tent of meeting seven times:
 5 and one shall burn the heifer in his sight; her
 skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her
 6 dung, shall he burn: and the priest shall take
 cedar wood, and hyssop, and scarlet, and cast
 it into the midst of the burning of the heifer.

Then the priest shall wash his clothes, and he 7
 shall bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he
 shall come into the camp, and the priest shall
 be unclean until the even. And he that burn- 8
 eth her shall wash his clothes in water, and
 bathe his flesh in water, and shall be unclean
 until the even. And a man that is clean shall 9
 gather up the ashes of the heifer, and lay them
 up without the camp in a clean place, and it
 shall be kept for the congregation of the child-
 ren of Israel for a water of ¹separation: it is a
 sin offering. And he that gathereth the ashes 10
 of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be un-
 clean until the even: and it shall be unto the
 children of Israel, and unto the stranger that
 sojourneth among them, for a statute for ever.
 He that toucheth the dead body of any man 11
 shall be unclean seven days: the same shall 12
 purify himself therewith on the third day, ²and
 on the seventh day he shall be clean: but if
 he purify not himself the third day, ³then the
 seventh day he shall not be clean. Whoso- 13
 ever toucheth the dead body of any man that
 is dead, and purifieth not himself, defileth the
 tabernacle of the LORD; and that soul shall be
 cut off from Israel: because the water of separa-
 tion was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be
 unclean; his uncleanness is yet upon him. This 14
 is the law when a man dieth in a tent: every
 one that cometh into the tent, and every one
 that is in the tent, shall be unclean seven days.
 And every open vessel, which hath no cover- 15
 ing bound upon it, is unclean. And who- 16
 soever in the open field toucheth one that is
 slain with a sword, or a dead body, or a bone of
 a man, or a grave, shall be unclean seven days.
 And for the unclean they shall take of the 17
 ashes of the burning of the sin offering, and

¹ Or, *impurity*

² Or, *and on the seventh day, so shall he be clean*

³ Or, *and*

- ¹running water shall be put thereto in a vessel: ¹ Heb. *living*.
18 and a clean person shall take hyssop, and dip it in the water, and sprinkle it upon the tent, and upon all the vessels, and upon the persons that were there, and upon him that touched the bone, or the slain, or the dead, or the grave:
19 and the clean person shall sprinkle upon the unclean on the third day, and on the seventh day: and on the seventh day he shall purify him; and he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and shall be clean at even.
20 But the man that shall be unclean, and shall not purify himself, that soul shall be cut off from the midst of the assembly, because he hath defiled the sanctuary of the LORD: the water of separation hath not been sprinkled upon him;
21 he is unclean. And it shall be a perpetual statute unto them: and he that sprinkleth the water of separation shall wash his clothes; and he that toucheth the water of separation shall
22 be unclean until even. And whatsoever the unclean person toucheth shall be unclean; and the soul that toucheth it shall be unclean until even.

- . 20 1 And the children of Israel, even the whole congregation, came into the wilderness of Zin in the first month: and the people abode in Kadesh; and Miriam died there, and was
2 buried there. And there was no water for the congregation: and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron.
3 And the people strove with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God that we had died when our
4 brethren died before the LORD! And why have ye brought the assembly of the LORD into this wilderness, that we should die there, we and our
5 cattle? And wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this

evil place? it is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink. And Moses and Aaron 6 went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tent of meeting, and fell upon their faces: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto them. And the LORD spake unto Moses, 7 saying, Take the rod, and assemble the congregation, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes, that it give forth its water; and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their cattle drink. And 9 Moses took the rod from before the LORD, as he commanded him. And Moses and Aaron 10 gathered the assembly together before the rock, and he said unto them, Hear now, ye rebels; shall we bring you forth water out of this rock? And Moses lifted up his hand, and smote the 11 rock with his rod twice: and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their cattle. And the LORD said unto Moses 12 and Aaron, Because ye believed not in me, to sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them. These are the waters of ¹Meribah; because 13 the children of Israel strove with the LORD, and he ²was sanctified in them.

¹ That is, Strife.

² Or, shewed himself holy

And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh 14 unto the king of Edom, Thus saith thy brother Israel, Thou knowest all the travail that hath befallen us: how our fathers went down into 15 Egypt, and we dwelt in Egypt a long time; and the Egyptians evil entreated us, and our fathers: and when we cried unto the LORD, he 16 heard our voice, and sent an angel, and brought us forth out of Egypt: and, behold, we are in

- Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of thy border:
17 let us pass, I pray thee, through thy land: we will not pass through field or through vineyard, neither will we drink of the water of the wells: we will go along the king's *high* way, we will not turn aside to the right hand nor to the left,
18 until we have passed thy border. And Edom said unto him, Thou shalt not pass through me, lest I come out with the sword against thee.
19 And the children of Israel said unto him, We will go up by the high way: and if we drink of thy water, I and my cattle, then will I give the price thereof: let me only, without *doing* any
20 thing *else*, pass through on my feet. And he said, Thou shalt not pass through. And Edom came out against him with much people, and
21 with a strong hand. Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border: wherefore Israel turned away from him.
22 And they journeyed from Kadesh: and the children of Israel, even the whole congregation,
23 came unto mount Hor. And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in mount Hor, by the
24 border of the land of Edom, saying, Aaron shall be gathered unto his people: for he shall not enter into the land which I have given unto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against my word at the waters of Meribah.
25 Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring
26 them up unto mount Hor: and strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son: and Aaron shall be gathered *unto his*
27 *people*, and shall die there. And Moses did as the LORD commanded: and they went up into mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation.
28 And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son; and Aaron died there in the top of the mount: and Moses

and Eleazar came down from the mount. And ²⁹ when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they wept for Aaron thirty days, even all the house of Israel.

And the Canaanite, the king of Arad, which ¹ dwelt in the South, heard tell that Israel came

¹ Or, of the spies

by the way ¹ of Atharim; and he fought against Israel, and took some of them captive. And ²

² Heb. devote.

Israel vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou wilt indeed deliver this people into my hand, then I will ² utterly destroy their cities.

³ Heb. devoted.

And the LORD hearkened to the voice of Israel, ³ and delivered up the Canaanites; and they ³ utterly destroyed them and their cities: and the name of the place was called ⁴ Hormah.

⁴ From the same root as *herem*, a devoted thing.

⁵ Or, was impatient
Heb. was shortened.

⁶ Or, in

And they journeyed from mount Hor by the ⁴ way to the Red Sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people ⁵ was much discouraged ⁶ because of the way. And the ⁵ people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, and there is no water; and our soul loatheth this

⁷ Or, vile

⁷ light bread. And the LORD sent fiery serpents ⁶ among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died. And the peo- ⁷ ple came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, because we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said ⁸ unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a standard; and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he seeth it, shall live. And Moses made a serpent of brass, ⁹ and set it upon the standard: and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he looked unto the serpent of brass, he lived.

10 And the children of Israel journeyed, and
 11 pitched in Oboth. And they journeyed from
 Oboth, and pitched at Iye-abarim, in the
 wilderness which is before Moab, toward the
 12 sunrising. From thence they journeyed, and
 13 pitched in the valley of Zered. From thence
 they journeyed, and pitched on the other side of
 Arnon, which is in the wilderness, that cometh
 out of the border of the Amorites: for Arnon
 is the border of Moab, between Moab and the
 14 Amorites. Wherefore it is said in the book of
 the Wars of the LORD,

Vaheb ¹in Suphah,

¹ Or, in storm

And the valleys of Arnon,

15 And the slope of the valleys

That inclineth toward the dwelling of Ar,

And leaneth upon the border of Moab.

16 And from thence *they journeyed* to ²Beer: that
 is the well whereof the LORD said unto Moses,
 Gather the people together, and I will give
 them water.

² That is, A
well.

17 Then sang Israel this song:

Spring up, O well; sing ye unto it:

18 The well, which the princes digged,

Which the nobles of the people delved,

³With the sceptre, *and* with their staves.

³ Or, By order
of the law-
giver

And from the wilderness *they journeyed* to

19 Mattanah: and from Mattanah to Nahaliel:

20 and from Nahaliel to Bamoth: and from Ba-
 moth to the valley that is in the field of
 Moab, to the top of Pisgah, which looketh
 down upon ⁴the desert.

⁴ Or,
Feshimon

21 And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king
 22 of the Amorites, saying, Let me pass through
 thy land: we will not turn aside into field, or into
 vineyard; we will not drink of the water of the
 wells: we will go by the king's *high* way, until
 23 we have passed thy border. And Sihon would

not suffer Israel to pass through his border :
 but Sihon gathered all his people together, and
 went out against Israel into the wilderness, and
 came to Jahaz : and he fought against Israel.
 And Israel smote him with the edge of the ²⁴
 sword, and possessed his land from Arnon unto
 Jabbok, even unto the children of Ammon : for
 the border of the children of Ammon was
 strong. And Israel took all these cities : and ²⁵
 Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites, in
 Heshbon, and in all the ¹towns thereof. For ²⁶
 Heshbon was the city of Sihon the king of the
 Amorites, who had fought against the former
 king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his
 hand, even unto Arnon. Wherefore they that ²⁷
 speak in proverbs say,

¹ Heb.
daughters.

Come ye to Heshbon,
 Let the city of Sihon be built and estab-
 lished :

For a fire is gone out of Heshbon, ²⁸

A flame from the city of Sihon :

It hath devoured Ar of Moab,

² Or, *Bamoth*

The lords of ²the high places of Arnon.

Woe to thee, Moab !

²⁹

Thou art undone, O people of Chemosh :

He hath given his sons as fugitives,

And his daughters into captivity,

Unto Sihon king of the Amorites.

We have shot at them ; Heshbon is perished ³⁰
 even unto Dibon,

And we have laid waste even unto Nophah,

³Which *reacheth* unto Medeba.

³ Some ancient
 authorities
 have, *Fire*
 reached *unto*.

Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites. ³¹

And Moses sent to spy out Jazer, and they ³²

took the towns thereof, and drove out the

Amorites that were there. And they turned ³³

and went up by the way of Bashan : and Og

the king of Bashan went out against them, he

34 and all his people, to battle at Edrei. And the
LORD said unto Moses, Fear him not: for I
have delivered him into thy hand, and all his
people, and his land; and thou shalt do to him
as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites,
35 which dwelt at Heshbon. So they smote him,
and his sons, and all his people, until there was
none left him remaining: and they possessed
22 ¹ his land. And the children of Israel journeyed,
and pitched in the plains of Moab beyond the
Jordan at Jericho.

² And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that
3 Israel had done to the Amorites. And Moab
was sore afraid of the people, because they were
many: and Moab ¹ was distressed because of the
4 children of Israel. And Moab said unto the
elders of Midian, Now shall ² this multitude lick
up all that is round about us, as the ox licketh
up the grass of the field. And Balak the son of
5 Zippor was king of Moab at that time. And he
sent messengers unto Balaam the son of Beor,
to Pethor, which is by the River, to the land of
the children of his people, to call him, saying,
Behold, there is a people come out from Egypt:
behold, they cover the ³ face of the earth, and
6 they abide over against me: come now there-
fore, I pray thee, curse me this people; for they
are too mighty for me: peradventure I shall
prevail, that we may smite them, and that I
may drive them out of the land: for I know
that he whom thou blessest is blessed, and he
7 whom thou cursest is cursed. And the elders
of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with
the rewards of divination in their hand; and
they came unto Balaam, and spake unto him
8 the words of Balak. And he said unto them,
Lodge here this night, and I will bring you
word again, as the LORD shall speak unto me:

¹ Or, *abhorred*² Heb. *the assembly.*³ Heb. *eye.*

and the princes of Moab abode with Balaam. And God came unto Balaam, and said, What 9 men are these with thee? And Balaam said 10 unto God, Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, hath sent unto me, *saying*, Behold, the 11 people that is come out of Egypt, it covereth the face of the earth: now, come curse me them; peradventure I shall be able to fight against them, and shall drive them out. And 12 God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed. And Balaam rose up in the morn- 13 ing, and said unto the princes of Balak, Get you into your land: for the LORD refuseth to give me leave to go with you. And the princes 14 of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and said, Balaam refuseth to come with us. And Balak sent yet again princes, more, and 15 more honourable than they. And they came to 16 Balaam, and said to him, Thus saith Balak the son of Zippor, Let nothing, I pray thee, hinder thee from coming unto me: for I will promote 17 thee unto very great honour, and whatsoever thou sayest unto me I will do: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people. And Balaam 18 answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less or more. Now there- 19 fore, I pray you, tarry ye also here this night, that I may know what the LORD will speak unto me more. And God came unto Balaam at 20 night, and said unto him, If the men be come to call thee, rise up, go with them; but only the word which I speak unto thee, that shalt thou do. And Balaam rose up in the morning, and 21 saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab. And God's anger was kindled because 22

he went: and the angel of the LORD placed himself in the way for an adversary against him. Now he was riding upon his ass, and his
23 two servants were with him. And the ass saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand: and the ass turned aside out of the way, and went into the field: and Balaam smote the ass, to turn her
24 into the way. Then the angel of the LORD stood in a hollow way between the vineyards, a fence being on this side, and a fence on that
25 side. And the ass saw the angel of the LORD, and she thrust herself unto the wall, and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall: and he
26 smote her again. And the angel of the LORD went further, and stood in a narrow place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or
27 to the left. And the ass saw the angel of the LORD, and she lay down under Balaam: and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the
28 ass with his staff. And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast
29 smitten me these three times? And Balaam said unto the ass, Because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for
30 now I had killed thee. And the ass said unto Balaam, Am not I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden all thy life long unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto thee? And he said,
31 Nay. Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, with his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed his head, and fell on
32 his face. And the angel of the LORD said unto him, Wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these three times? behold, I am come forth for an adversary, because thy way is ¹pervse

¹ Heb. *head-long*.

before me : and the ass saw me, and turned 33
 aside before me these three times : unless she
 had turned aside from me, surely now I had
 even slain thee, and saved her alive. And 34
 Balaam said unto the angel of the LORD, I have
 sinned ; for I knew not that thou stoodest in
 the way against me : now therefore, if it dis-
 please thee, I will get me back again. And the 35
 angel of the LORD said unto Balaam, Go with
 the men : but only the word that I shall speak
 unto thee, that thou shalt speak. So Balaam
 went with the princes of Balak. And when 36
 Balak heard that Balaam was come, he went
 out to meet him unto the City of Moab, which is
 on the border of Arnon, which is in the utmost
 part of the border. And Balak said unto Ba- 37
 laam, Did I not earnestly send unto thee to call
 thee ? wherefore camest thou not unto me ? am
 I not able indeed to promote thee to honour ?
 And Balaam said unto Balak, Lo, I am come 38
 unto thee : have I now any power at all to
 speak any thing ? the word that God putteth
 in my mouth, that shall I speak. And Balaam 39
 went with Balak, and they came unto Kiriath-
 huzoth. And Balak sacrificed oxen and sheep, 40
 and sent to Balaam, and to the princes that
 were with him. And it came to pass in the 41
 morning, that Balak took Balaam, and brought
 him up into ¹the high places of Baal, and he
 saw from thence the utmost part of the people.
 And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here 1 **23**
 seven altars, and prepare me here seven bullocks
 and seven rams. And Balak did as Balaam 2
 had spoken ; and Balak and Balaam offered
 on every altar a bullock and a ram. And Ba- 3
 laam said unto Balak, Stand by thy burnt offer-
 ing, and I will go ; peradventure the LORD will
 come to meet me : and whatsoever he sheweth

¹ Or, *Bamoth-baal*

me I will tell thee. And he went to a bare
 4 height. And God met Balaam: and he said
 unto him, I have prepared the seven altars, and
 I have offered up a bullock and a ram on every
 5 altar. And the LORD put a word in Balaam's
 mouth, and said, Return unto Balak, and thus
 6 thou shalt speak. And he returned unto him,
 and, lo, he stood by his burnt offering, he, and
 7 all the princes of Moab. And he took up his
 parable, and said,

From Aram hath Balak brought me,
 The king of Moab from the mountains of
 the East:

Come, curse me Jacob,
 And come, ¹defy Israel.

8 How shall I curse, whom God hath not
 cursed?

And how shall I defy, whom the LORD hath
 not defied?

9 For from the top of the rocks I see him,
 And from the hills I behold him:
 Lo, it is a people that dwell alone,
 And shall not be reckoned among the nations.

10 Who can count the dust of Jacob,
²Or number the fourth part of Israel?
 Let ³me die the death of the righteous,
 And let my last end be like his!

11 And Balak said unto Balaam, What hast thou
 done unto me? I took thee to curse mine
 enemies, and, behold, thou hast blessed them
 12 altogether. And he answered and said, Must
 I not take heed to speak that which the LORD
 13 putteth in my mouth? And Balak said unto
 him, Come, I pray thee, with me unto another
 place, from whence thou mayest see them;
 thou shalt see but the utmost part of them, and
 shalt not see them all: and curse me them from
 14 thence. And he took him into the field of

¹ Heb. *be*
wroth against.

² Heb. *Or, by*
number, the
&c.

³ Heb. *my*
soul.

Zophim, to the top of Pisgah, and built seven altars, and offered up a bullock and a ram on every altar. And he said unto Balak, Stand ¹⁵ here by thy burnt offering, while I meet *the LORD* yonder. And the LORD met Balaam, and ¹⁶ put a word in his mouth, and said, Return unto Balak, and thus shalt thou speak. And he ¹⁷ came to him, and, lo, he stood by his burnt offering, and the princes of Moab with him. And Balak said unto him, What hath the LORD spoken? And he took up his parable, and said, ¹⁸

Rise up, Balak, and hear;

Hearken unto me, thou son of Zippor:

God is not a man, that he should lie; ¹⁹

Neither the son of man, that he should repent:

Hath he said, and shall he not do it?

Or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

Behold, I have received *commandment* to bless: ²⁰

And he hath blessed, and I cannot reverse it.

He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, ²¹

Neither hath he seen perverseness in Israel:

The LORD his God is with him,

And the shout of a king is among them.

God bringeth them forth out of Egypt; ²²

He hath as it were the ¹strength of the ²wild-ox.

Surely there is no enchantment ³with Jacob, ²³

Neither is there any divination ³with Israel:

⁴Now shall it be ⁵said of Jacob and of Israel,

What hath God wrought!

Behold, the people riseth up as a lioness, ²⁴

And as a lion doth he lift himself up:

He shall not lie down until he eat of the prey,

And drink the blood of the slain.

And Balak said unto Balaam, Neither curse ²⁵

¹ Or, horns

² Or, ox-
antelope
Heb. reem.

³ Or, against

⁴ Or, At the
due season

⁵ Or, told to...
what God
hath wrought

- 26 them at all, nor bless them at all. But Balaam answered and said unto Balak, Told not I thee, saying, All that the LORD speaketh, that I must
27 do? And Balak said unto Balaam, Come now, I will take thee unto another place; peradventure it will please God that thou mayest curse
28 me them from thence. And Balak took Balaam unto the top of Peor, that looketh down upon
29 ¹the desert. And Balaam said unto Balak, Build ¹ Or, *Jeshimon*
30 seven bullocks and seven rams. And Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered up a bullock
24 ¹ and a ram on every altar. And when Balaam saw that it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he went not, as at the other times, to meet with enchantments, but he set his face toward the
2 wilderness. And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel dwelling according to their tribes;
3 and the spirit of God came upon him. And he took up his parable, and said,
Balaam the son of Beor saith,
And the man whose eye ²was closed saith: ² Or, *is opened*
4 He saith, which heareth the words of God,
Which seeth the vision of the Almighty,
Falling down, and having his eyes open:
5 How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob,
Thy tabernacles, O Israel!
6 As valleys are they spread forth,
As gardens by the river side,
As lign-aloes which the LORD hath planted,
As cedar trees beside the waters.
7 Water shall flow from his buckets,
And his seed shall be in many waters,
And his king shall be higher than Agag,
And his kingdom shall be exalted.
8 God bringeth him forth out of Egypt;
He hath as it were the ³strength of the ³ See ch. xxiii. 22.
³wild-ox:

He shall eat up the nations his adversaries,
 And shall break their bones in pieces,
 And smite *them* through with his arrows.
 He couched, he lay down as a lion, 9
 And as a lioness; who shall rouse him up?
 Blessed be every one that blesseth thee,
 And cursed be every one that curseth thee.

And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, 10
 and he smote his hands together: and Balak
 said unto Balaam, I called thee to curse mine
 enemies, and, behold, thou hast altogether blessed
 them these three times. Therefore now flee 11
 thou to thy place: I thought to promote thee
 unto great honour; but, lo, the LORD hath kept
 thee back from honour. And Balaam said unto 12
 Balak, Spake I not also to thy messengers
 which thou sentest unto me, saying, If Balak 13
 would give me his house full of silver and
 gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the
 LORD, to do either good or bad of mine own
 mind; what the LORD speaketh, that will I
 speak? And now, behold, I go unto my 14
 people: come, *and* I will advertise thee what
 this people shall do to thy people in the latter
 days. And he took up his parable, and said, 15

Balaam the son of Beor saith,

¹ Or, *is opened*

And the man whose eye ¹was closed saith:
 He saith, which heareth the words of God, 16
 And knoweth the knowledge of the Most
 High,

Which seeth the vision of the Almighty,
 Falling down, and having his eyes open:
 I see him, but not now: 17
 I behold him, but not nigh:

There shall come forth a star out of Jacob,
 And a sceptre shall rise out of Israel,
 And shall smite through the corners of Moab,
 And break down all the sons ²of tumult.

² Or, *of Sheth*

- 18 And Edom shall be a possession,
Seir also shall be a possession, *which were*
his enemies;
While Israel doeth valiantly.
- 19 And out of Jacob shall one have dominion,
And shall destroy the remnant from the city.
- 20 And he looked on Amalek, and took up his
parable, and said,
Amalek was the first of the nations;
But his latter end shall come to destruction.
- 21 And he looked on the Kenite, and took up his
parable, and said,
Strong is thy dwelling place,
And thy nest is set in the rock.
- 22 Nevertheless ¹Kain shall be wasted,
²Until Asshur shall carry thee away captive.
- 23 And he took up his parable, and said,
Alas, who shall live when God ³doeth this?
- 24 But ships *shall come* from the coast of Kittim,
And they shall afflict Asshur, and shall afflict
Eber,
And he also shall come to destruction.
- 25 And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to
his place: and Balak also went his way.

¹ Or, *the Kenites*² Or, *How long? Asshur &c.*³ Or, *establisheth him*

- 25 ¹ And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people
began to commit whoredom with the daughters
² of Moab: for they called the people unto the
sacrifices of their gods; and the people did eat,
³ and bowed down to their gods. And Israel
'joined himself unto ⁴Baal-peor: and the anger
⁴ of the LORD was kindled against Israel. And
the LORD said unto Moses, Take all the chiefs
of the people, and hang them up unto the LORD
before the sun, that the fierce anger of the LORD
⁵ may turn away from Israel. And Moses said
unto the judges of Israel, Slay ye every one his
men that have joined themselves unto Baal-peor.

⁴ Or, *yoked*⁵ Or, *the Baal of Peor*
See ch. xxiii.
28.

And, behold, one of the children of Israel came 6
and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish
woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight
of all the congregation of the children of Israel,
while they were weeping at the door of the
tent of meeting. And when Phinehas, the son 7
of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it,
he rose up from the midst of the congregation,
and took a spear in his hand; and he went 8
after the man of Israel into the ¹pavilion, and
thrust both of them through, the man of Israel,
and the woman through her belly. So the
plague was stayed from the children of Israel.
And those that died by the plague were twenty 9
and four thousand.

¹ Or, *alcove*

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 10
Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron 11
the priest, hath turned my wrath away from
the children of Israel, in that he was jealous
with my jealousy among them, so that I con-
sumed not the children of Israel in my jealousy.
Wherefore say, Behold, I give unto him my 12
covenant of peace: and it shall be unto him, 13
and to his seed after him, the covenant of an
everlasting priesthood; because he was jealous
for his God, and made atonement for the
children of Israel. Now the name of the man 14
of Israel that was slain, who was slain with
the Midianitish woman, was Zimri, the son of
Salu, a prince of a fathers' house among the
Simeonites. And the name of the Midianitish 15
woman that was slain was Cozbi, the daughter
of Zur; he was head of the people of a fathers'
house in Midian.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 16
Vex the Midianites, and smite them: for they 17, 18
vex you with their wiles, wherewith they have
beguiled you in the matter of Peor, and in the

matter of Cozbi, the daughter of the prince of Midian, their sister, which was slain on the day of the plague in the matter of Peor.

26 ¹ And it came to pass after the plague, that the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Eleazar ² the son of Aaron the priest, saying, Take the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, from twenty years old and upward, by their fathers' houses, all that are able to go ³ forth to war in Israel. And Moses and Eleazar the priest spake with them in the plains of ⁴ Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, *Take the sum of the people*, from twenty years old and upward; as the LORD commanded Moses and the children of Israel, which came forth out of the land of Egypt.

⁵ Reuben, the firstborn of Israel: the sons of Reuben; *of* Hanoch, the family of the Hanochites: of Pallu, the family of the Palluites: ⁶ of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of ⁷ Carmi, the family of the Carmites. These are the families of the Reubenites: and they that were numbered of them were forty and three ⁸ thousand and seven hundred and thirty. And ⁹ the sons of Pallu; Eliab. And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. These are that Dathan and Abiram, which were called of the congregation, who strove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, ¹⁰ when they strove against the LORD: and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died; what time the fire devoured two hundred ¹¹ and fifty men, and they became a sign. Notwithstanding the sons of Korah died not.

¹² The sons of Simeon after their families: of ¹Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites: of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites: of ²Jachin, the family

¹ In Gen. xlvi. 10, Ex. vi. 15, *Jemuel*.

² In 1 Chr. iv. 24, *Jarib*.

¹ In Gen. xlv. 10, *Zohar*. of the Jachinites: of ¹Zerah, the family of the 13
Zerahites: of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites.
These are the families of the Simeonites, twenty 14
and two thousand and two hundred.

The sons of Gad after their families: of 15
² In Gen. xlv. 16, *Ziphion*. ²Zephon, the family of the Zephonites: of
Haggi, the family of the Haggites: of Shuni,
³ In Gen. xlv. 16, *Ezbon*. the family of the Shunites: of ³Ozni, the family 16
of the Oznites: of Eri, the family of the Erites:
⁴ In Gen. xlv. 16, *Arodi*. of ⁴Arod, the family of the Arodites: of Areli, 17
the family of the Arelites. These are the fami- 18
lies of the sons of Gad according to those that
were numbered of them, forty thousand and
five hundred.

The sons of Judah, Er and Onan: and Er 19
and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And 20
the sons of Judah after their families were; of
Shelah, the family of the Shelanites: of Perez,
the family of the Perezites: of Zerah, the family
of the Zerahites. And the sons of Perez were; 21
of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of
Hamul, the family of the Hamulites. These are 22
the families of Judah according to those that
were numbered of them, threescore and sixteen
thousand and five hundred.

The sons of Issachar after their families: of 23
Tola, the family of the Tolaites: of Puvah, the
⁵ In Gen. xlv. 13, *Iob*. family of the Punites: of ⁵Jashub, the family 24
of the Jashubites: of Shimron, the family of
the Shimronites. These are the families of 25
Issachar according to those that were numbered
of them, threescore and four thousand and three
hundred.

The sons of Zebulun after their families: 26
of Sered, the family of the Seredites: of Elon,
the family of the Elonites: of Jahleel, the family
of the Jahleelites. These are the families of 27
the Zebulunites according to those that were

numbered of them, threescore thousand and five hundred.

28 The sons of Joseph after their families:
29 Manasseh and Ephraim. The sons of Manasseh: of Machir, the family of the Machirites: and Machir begat Gilead: of Gilead, the family of
30 the Gileadites. These are the sons of Gilead:

of ¹Iezer, the family of the Iezerites: of Helek,
31 the family of the Helekites: and of Asriel, the family of the Asrielites: and of Shechem, the

32 family of the Shechemites: and of Shemida, the family of the Shemidaïtes: and of Hephher,

33 the family of the Hephherites. And Zelophehad the son of Hephher had no sons, but daughters:

and the names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and

34 Tirzah. These are the families of Manasseh: and they that were numbered of them were fifty and two thousand and seven hundred.

35 These are the sons of Ephraim after their families: of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthelahites: of ²Becher, the family of the Becherites: of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites.

36 And these are the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the Eranites. These are the families of the sons of Ephraim according to those that were numbered of them, thirty and two thousand and five hundred. These are the sons of Joseph after their families.

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38 The sons of Benjamin after their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaïtes: of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites: of ³Ahram, the

39 family of the Ahiramites: of ⁴Shephupham, the family of the Shuphamites: of Hupham, the

40 family of the Huphamites. And the sons of Bela were ⁵Ard and Naaman: of *Ard*, the family of the Ardites: of Naaman, the family of the

41 Naamites. These are the sons of Benjamin

¹ In Josh. xvii.
2, *Abiezer*.
See Judg. vi.
11, 24, 34.

² In 1 Chr.
vii. 20, *Bered*.

³ In Gen. xlvi.
21, *Ehi*
in 1 Chr.
viii. 1,
Aharah.

⁴ In Gen. xlvi.
21, *Muphim*,
and *Huphim*.

⁵ In 1 Chr. viii.
3, *Addar*.

after their families: and they that were numbered of them were forty and five thousand and six hundred.

¹ In Gen. xlv.
^{23.} *Hushim.*

These are the sons of Dan after their families: of ¹Shuham, the family of the Shuhamites. These are the families of Dan after their families. All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were numbered of them, were threescore and four thousand and four hundred.

The sons of Asher after their families: of Imnah, the family of the Imnites: of Ishvi, the family of the Ishvites: of Beriah, the family of the Beriites. Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites: of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites. And the name of the daughter of Asher was Serah. These are the families of the sons of Asher according to those that were numbered of them, fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

The sons of Naphtali after their families: of Jahzeel, the family of the Jahzeelites: of Guni, the family of the Gunites: of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites: of Shillem, the family of the Shillemites. These are the families of Naphtali according to their families: and they that were numbered of them were forty and five thousand and four hundred.

These are they that were numbered of the children of Israel, six hundred thousand and a thousand seven hundred and thirty.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Unto these the land shall be divided for an inheritance according to the number of names. To the more thou shalt give the more inheritance, and to the fewer thou shalt give the less inheritance: to every one according to those that were numbered of him shall his inheritance be given. Notwithstanding the land shall be

divided by lot: according to the names of the
56 tribes of their fathers they shall inherit. According to the lot shall their inheritance be divided between the more and the fewer.

57 And these are they that were numbered of the Levites after their families: of Gershon, the family of the Gershonites: of Kohath, the family of the Kohathites: of Merari, the family
58 of the Merarites. These are the families of Levi: the family of the Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Mushites, the family of the Korah-
59 ites. And Kohath begat Amram. And the name of Amram's wife was Jochebed, the daughter of Levi, who was born to Levi in Egypt: and she bare unto Amram Aaron and
60 Moses, and Miriam their sister. And unto Aaron were born Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar
61 and Ithamar. And Nadab and Abihu died, when they offered strange fire before the LORD.
62 And they that were numbered of them were twenty and three thousand, every male from a month old and upward: for they were not numbered among the children of Israel, because there was no inheritance given them among the children of Israel.

63 These are they that were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest; who numbered the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by
64 the Jordan at Jericho. But among these there was not a man of them that were numbered by Moses and Aaron the priest; who numbered the children of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai.
65 For the LORD had said of them, They shall surely die in the wilderness. And there was not left a man of them, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

27 1 Then drew near the daughters of Zelophe-

had, the son of Hephher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph: and these are the names of his daughters; Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah. And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and all the congregation, at the door of the tent of meeting, saying, Our father died in the wilderness, and he was not among the company of them that gathered themselves together against the LORD in the company of Korah: but he died in his own sin; and he had no sons. Why should the name of our father be taken away from among his family, because he had no son? Give unto us a possession among the brethren of our father. And Moses brought their cause before the LORD. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, The daughters of Zelophehad speak right: thou shalt surely give them a possession of an inheritance among their father's brethren; and thou shalt cause the inheritance of their father to pass unto them. And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a man die, and have no son, then ye shall cause his inheritance to pass unto his daughter. And if he have no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his brethren. And if he have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his father's brethren. And if his father have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his kinsman that is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it: and it shall be unto the children of Israel a statute of judgment, as the LORD commanded Moses.

And the LORD said unto Moses, Get thee up into this mountain of Abarim, and behold the land which I have given unto the children of

13 Israel. And when thou hast seen it, thou also shalt be gathered unto thy people, as Aaron
14 thy brother was gathered: because ye rebelled against my word in the wilderness of Zin, in the strife of the congregation, ¹to sanctify me at the waters before their eyes. (These are the waters of Meribah of Kadesh in the wilderness
15 of Zin.) And Moses spake unto the LORD,
16 saying, Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation,
17 which may go out before them, and which may come in before them, and which may lead them out, and which may bring them in; that the congregation of the LORD be not as sheep
18 which have no shepherd. And the LORD said unto Moses, Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit, and lay thine hand
19 upon him; and set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and
20 give him a charge in their sight. And thou shalt put of thine honour upon him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may
21 obey. And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire for him by the judgment of the Urim before the LORD: at his word shall they go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he, and all the children of Israel
22 with him, even all the congregation. And Moses did as the LORD commanded him: and he took Joshua, and set him before Eleazar the
23 priest, and before all the congregation: and he laid his hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as the LORD spake by the hand of Moses.

¹ See ch. xx.
12, 13.

28 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
² Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, My oblation, my ²food for my offerings

² Heb. *bread*.

made by fire, of a sweet savour unto me, shall ye observe to offer unto me in their due season.

¹ See Ex. xxix. 38—42.

¹And thou shalt say unto them, This is the ³ offering made by fire which ye shall offer unto the LORD; he-lambs of the first year without blemish, two day by day, for a continual burnt offering. The one lamb shalt thou offer in the ⁴ morning, and the other lamb shalt thou offer ²at even; and the tenth part of an ephah of fine ⁵ flour for a meal offering, mingled with the fourth part of an hin of beaten oil. It is a continual ⁶ burnt offering, which was ordained in mount Sinai for a sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto the LORD. And the drink offering ⁷ thereof shall be the fourth part of an hin for the one lamb: in the holy place shalt thou pour out a drink offering of strong drink unto the LORD. And the other lamb shalt thou offer at even: ⁸ as the meal offering of the morning, and as the drink offering thereof, thou shalt offer it, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

² Heb. *between the two evenings.*

And on the sabbath day two he-lambs of ⁹ the first year without blemish, and two tenth parts of *an ephah* of fine flour for a meal offering, mingled with oil, and the drink offering thereof: this is the burnt offering of every ¹⁰ sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and the drink offering thereof.

And in the beginnings of your months ye ¹¹ shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD; two young bullocks, and one ram, seven he-lambs of the first year without blemish; and three ¹² tenth parts of *an ephah* of fine flour for a meal offering, mingled with oil, for each bullock; and two tenth parts of fine flour for a meal offering, mingled with oil, for the one ram; and ¹³ a several tenth part of fine flour mingled with

- oil for a meal offering unto every lamb ; for a burnt offering of a sweet savour, an offering
14 made by fire unto the LORD. And their drink offerings shall be half an hin of wine for a bullock, and the third part of an hin for the ram, and the fourth part of an hin for a lamb : this is the burnt offering of every month through-
15 out the months of the year. And one he-goat for a sin offering unto the LORD ; it shall be offered beside the continual burnt offering, and the drink offering thereof.
- 16 And in the first month, on the fourteenth day
17 of the month, is the LORD's passover. And on the fifteenth day of this month shall be a feast : seven days shall unleavened bread be eaten.
18 In the first day shall be an holy convocation ;
19 ye shall do no servile work : but ye shall offer an offering made by fire, a burnt offering unto the LORD ; two young bullocks, and one ram, and seven he-lambs of the first year : they
20 shall be unto you without blemish : and their meal offering, fine flour mingled with oil : three tenth parts shall ye offer for a bullock, and two
21 tenth parts for the ram ; a several tenth part shalt thou offer for every lamb of the seven
22 lambs ; and one he-goat for a sin offering, to make
23 atonement for you. Ye shall offer these beside the burnt offering of the morning, which is for a
24 continual burnt offering. After this manner ye shall offer daily, for seven days, the ¹food of the offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD : it shall be offered beside the continual burnt offering, and the drink offering thereof. ¹ Heb. *bread*.
- 25 And on the seventh day ye shall have an holy convocation ; ye shall do no servile work.
- 26 Also in the day of the firstfruits, when ye offer a new meal offering unto the LORD in your *feast of weeks*, ye shall have an holy convoca-

tion ; ye shall do no servile work : but ye shall 27
offer a burnt offering for a sweet savour unto
the LORD ; two young bullocks, one ram, seven
he-lambs of the first year ; and their meal 28
offering, fine flour mingled with oil, three tenth
parts for each bullock, two tenth parts for the
one ram, a several tenth part for every lamb of 29
the seven lambs ; one he-goat, to make atone- 30
ment for you. Beside the continual burnt offer- 31
ing, and the meal offering thereof, ye shall offer
them (they shall be unto you without blemish),
and their drink offerings.

And in the seventh month, on the first day 1 29
of the month, ye shall have an holy convoca-
tion ; ye shall do no servile work : it is a day
of blowing of trumpets unto you. And ye 2
shall offer a burnt offering for a sweet savour
unto the LORD ; one young bullock, one ram,
seven he-lambs of the first year without blem-
ish : and their meal offering, fine flour mingled 3
with oil, three tenth parts for the bullock, two
tenth parts for the ram, and one tenth part for 4
every lamb of the seven lambs : and one he- 5
goat for a sin offering, to make atonement for
you : beside the burnt offering of the new moon, 6
and the meal offering thereof, and the continual
burnt offering and the meal offering thereof,
and their drink offerings, according unto their
ordinance, for a sweet savour, an offering made
by fire unto the LORD.

And on the tenth day of this seventh month 7
ye shall have an holy convocation ; and ye
shall afflict your souls ; ye shall do no man-
ner of work : but ye shall offer a burnt offering 8
unto the LORD for a sweet savour ; one young
bullock, one ram, seven he-lambs of the first
year ; they shall be unto you without blemish :
and their meal offering, fine flour mingled with 9

oil, three tenth parts for the bullock, two tenth
10 parts for the one ram, a several tenth part for
11 every lamb of the seven lambs: one he-goat
for a sin offering; beside the sin offering of
atonement, and the continual burnt offering,
and the meal offering thereof, and their drink
offerings.

12 And on the fifteenth day of the seventh
month ye shall have an holy convocation; ye
shall do no servile work, and ye shall keep a
13 feast unto the LORD seven days: and ye shall
offer a burnt offering, an offering made by
fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD; thirteen
young bullocks, two rams, fourteen he-lambs of
the first year; they shall be without blemish:
14 and their meal offering, fine flour mingled with
oil, three tenth parts for every bullock of the
thirteen bullocks, two tenth parts for each ram
15 of the two rams, and a several tenth part for
16 every lamb of the fourteen lambs: and one
he-goat for a sin offering; beside the continual
burnt offering, the meal offering thereof, and
the drink offering thereof.

17 And on the second day *ye shall offer* twelve
young bullocks, two rams, fourteen he-lambs
18 of the first year without blemish: and their
meal offering and their drink offerings for the
bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, ac-
cording to their number, after the ordinance:
19 and one he-goat for a sin offering; beside the
continual burnt offering, and the meal offering
thereof, and their drink offerings.

20 And on the third day eleven bullocks, two
rams, fourteen he-lambs of the first year without
21 blemish; and their meal offering and their drink
offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for
the lambs, according to their number, after the
22 ordinance: and one he-goat for a sin offering;

beside the continual burnt offering, and the meal offering thereof, and the drink offering thereof.

And on the fourth day ten bullocks, two ²³ rams, fourteen he-lambs of the first year without blemish: their meal offering and their drink ²⁴ offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance: and one he-goat for a sin offering; ²⁵ beside the continual burnt offering, the meal offering thereof, and the drink offering thereof.

And on the fifth day nine bullocks, two rams, ²⁶ fourteen he-lambs of the first year without blemish: and their meal offering and their drink ²⁷ offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance: and one he-goat for a sin ²⁸ offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and the meal offering thereof, and the drink offering thereof.

And on the sixth day eight bullocks, two ²⁹ rams, fourteen he-lambs of the first year without blemish: and their meal offering and their ³⁰ drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance: and one he-goat for a sin ³¹ offering; beside the continual burnt offering, the meal offering thereof, and the drink offerings thereof.

And on the seventh day seven bullocks, two ³² rams, fourteen he-lambs of the first year without blemish: and their meal offering and their ³³ drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, according to their number, after the ordinance: and one he-goat for a sin ³⁴ offering; beside the continual burnt offering, the meal offering thereof, and the drink offering thereof.

35 On the eighth day ye shall have a ¹solemn
 36 assembly: ye shall do no servile work: but ye
 shall offer a burnt offering, an offering made
 by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: one
 bullock, one ram, seven he-lambs of the first
 37 year without blemish: their meal offering and
 their drink offerings for the bullock, for the ram,
 and for the lambs, shall be according to their
 38 number, after the ordinance: and one he-goat
 for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt
 offering, and the meal offering thereof, and the
 drink offering thereof.

¹ See Lev.
xxiii. 36.

39 These ye shall offer unto the LORD in your
 set feasts, beside your vows, and your freewill
 offerings, for your burnt offerings, and for your
 meal offerings, and for your drink offerings, and
 40 for your peace offerings. And Moses told the
 children of Israel according to all that the LORD
 commanded Moses.

[Ch. xxx. 1 in
Heb.]

30 ¹ And Moses spake unto the heads of the tribes
 of the children of Israel, saying, This is the
 2 thing which the LORD hath commanded. When
 a man voweth a vow unto the LORD, or swear-
 eth an oath to bind his soul with a bond, he
 shall not ²break his word; he shall do according
 3 to all that proceedeth out of his mouth. Also
 when a woman voweth a vow unto the LORD,
 and bindeth herself by a bond, being in her
 4 father's house, in her youth; and her father
 heareth her vow, and her bond wherewith she
 hath bound her soul, and her father holdeth his
 peace at her: then all her vows shall stand, and
 every bond wherewith she hath bound her soul
 5 shall stand. But if her father disallow her in
 the day that he heareth; none of her vows, or
 of her bonds wherewith she hath bound her
 soul, shall stand: and the LORD shall forgive
 6 her, because her father disallowed her. And

² Heb. *profane*

if she be *married* to a husband, while her vows are upon her, or the rash utterance of her lips, wherewith she hath bound her soul; and 7 her husband hear it, and hold his peace at her in the day that he heareth it: then her vows shall stand, and her bonds wherewith she hath bound her soul shall stand. But if her husband 8 disallow her in the day that he heareth it; then he shall make void her vow which is upon her, and the rash utterance of her lips, wherewith she hath bound her soul: and the LORD shall forgive her. But the vow of a widow, or of her 9 that is divorced, *even* every thing wherewith she hath bound her soul, shall stand against her. And if she vowed in her husband's house, or 10 bound her soul by a bond with an oath, and 11 her husband heard it, and held his peace at her, and disallowed her not; then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand. But if her hus- 12 band made them null and void in the day that he heard them; then whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void; and the LORD shall forgive her. Every vow, and every 13 binding oath to afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void. But if her husband altogether hold his 14 peace at her from day to day; then he establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which are upon her: he hath established them, because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard them. But if he shall make them null 15 and void after that he hath heard them; then he shall bear her iniquity. These are the statutes, 16 which the LORD commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between a father and his

daughter, being in her youth, in her father's house.

- 31 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
² Avenge the children of Israel of the Midianites:
afterward shalt thou be gathered unto thy people.
³ And Moses spake unto the people, saying, Arm
ye men from among you for the war, that they
may go against Midian, to execute the LORD's
⁴ vengeance on Midian. Of every tribe a thou-
sand, throughout all the tribes of Israel, shall ye
⁵ send to the war. So there were delivered, out of
the thousands of Israel, a thousand of every tribe,
⁶ twelve thousand armed for war. And Moses
sent them, a thousand of every tribe, to the war,
them and Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest,
to the war, with the vessels of the sanctuary and
⁷ the trumpets for the alarm in his hand. And
they warred against Midian, as the LORD com-
⁸ manded Moses; and they slew every male. And
they slew the kings of Midian with the rest of
their slain; Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur,
and Reba, the five kings of Midian: Balaam also
⁹ the son of Beor they slew with the sword. And
the children of Israel took captive the women
of Midian and their little ones; and all their
cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods,
¹⁰ they took for a prey. And all their cities in
the places wherein they dwelt, and all their
¹¹ encampments, they burnt with fire. And they
took all the spoil, and all the prey, both of man
¹² and of beast. And they brought the captives,
and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and
unto Eleazar the priest, and unto the congrega-
tion of the children of Israel, unto the camp at
the plains of Moab, which are by the Jordan at
Jericho.
¹³ And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all
the princes of the congregation, went forth to

meet them without the camp. And Moses was ¹⁴
wroth with the officers of the host, the captains
of thousands and the captains of hundreds, which
came from the service of the war. And Moses ¹⁵
said unto them, Have ye saved all the women
alive? Behold, these caused the children of ¹⁶
Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit
trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor,
and so the plague was among the congregation
of the LORD. Now therefore kill every male ¹⁷
among the little ones, and kill every woman
that hath known man by lying with him. But ¹⁸
all the women children, that have not known
man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves.
And encamp ye without the camp seven days : ¹⁹
whosoever hath killed any person, and who-
soever hath touched any slain, purify yourselves
on the third day and on the seventh day, ye
and your captives. And as to every garment, ²⁰
and all that is made of skin, and all work of
goats' *hair*, and all things made of wood, ye
shall purify yourselves. And Eleazar the priest ²¹
said unto the men of war which went to the
battle, This is the statute of the law which the
LORD hath commanded Moses : howbeit the ²²
gold, and the silver, the brass, the iron, the
tin, and the lead, every thing that may abide ²³
the fire, ye shall make to go through the fire,
and it shall be clean; nevertheless it shall be
¹Or, *impurity* purified with the water of ¹separation : and all
that abideth not the fire ye shall make to go
through the water. And ye shall wash your ²⁴
clothes on the seventh day, and ye shall be
clean, and afterward ye shall come into the
camp.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ²⁵
Take the sum of the prey that was taken, both ²⁶
of man and of beast, thou, and Eleazar the

priest, and the heads of the fathers' *houses* of
27 the congregation : and divide the prey into two
parts ; between the men skilled in war, that went
28 out to battle, and all the congregation : and levy
a tribute unto the LORD of the men of war that
went out to battle : one soul of five hundred,
both of the persons, and of the beeves, and of
29 the asses, and of the flocks : take it of their
half, and give it unto Eleazar the priest, for the
30 LORD's heave offering. And of the children of
Israel's half, thou shalt take one drawn out of
every fifty, of the persons, of the beeves, of the
asses, and of the flocks, *even* of all the cattle,
and give them unto the Levites, which keep the
31 charge of the tabernacle of the LORD. And
Moses and Eleazar the priest did as the LORD
32 commanded Moses. Now the prey, over and
above the booty which the men of war took,
was six hundred thousand and seventy thousand
33 and five thousand sheep, and threescore and
34 twelve thousand beeves, and threescore and one
35 thousand asses, and thirty and two thousand
persons in all, of the women that had not known
36 man by lying with him. And the half, which
was the portion of them that went out to war,
was in number three hundred thousand and
thirty thousand and seven thousand and five
37 hundred sheep : and the LORD's tribute of the
sheep was six hundred and threescore and
38 fifteen. And the beeves were thirty and six
thousand ; of which the LORD's tribute was three-
39 score and twelve. And the asses were thirty
thousand and five hundred ; of which the LORD's
40 tribute was threescore and one. And the persons
were sixteen thousand ; of whom the LORD's
41 tribute was thirty and two persons. And Moses
gave the tribute, which was the LORD's heave
offering, unto Eleazar the priest, as the LORD

commanded Moses. And of the children of 42
 Israel's half, which Moses divided off from the
 men that warred, (now the congregation's half 43
 was three hundred thousand and thirty thousand,
 seven thousand and five hundred sheep, and 44
 thirty and six thousand beeves, and thirty 45
 thousand and five hundred asses, and sixteen 46
 thousand persons;) even of the children of 47
 Israel's half, Moses took one drawn out of every
 fifty, both of man and of beast, and gave them
 unto the Levites, which kept the charge of the
 tabernacle of the LORD; as the LORD command-
 ed Moses. And the officers which were over 48
 the thousands of the host, the captains of
 thousands, and the captains of hundreds, came
 near unto Moses: and they said unto Moses, 49
 Thy servants have taken the sum of the men
 of war which are under our charge, and there
 lacketh not one man of us. And we have 50
 brought the LORD's oblation, what every man
 hath gotten, of jewels of gold, ankle chains, and
 bracelets, signet-rings, earrings, and ¹armlets, to
 make atonement for our souls before the LORD.
 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the 51
 gold of them, even all wrought jewels. And all 52
 the gold of the heave offering that they offered
 up to the LORD, of the captains of thousands,
 and of the captains of hundreds, was sixteen
 thousand seven hundred and fifty shekels.
² See ver. 32. (²For the men of war had taken booty, every 53
 man for himself.) And Moses and Eleazar the 54
 priest took the gold of the captains of thousands
 and of hundreds, and brought it into the tent
 of meeting, for a memorial for the children of
 Israel before the LORD.

Now the children of Reuben and the children 1 32
 of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle:

and when they saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place was a
 2 place for cattle; the children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spake unto Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes
 3 of the congregation, saying, Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and ¹Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and ²Sebam, and Nebo, and ³Beon,
 4 the land which the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, is a land for cattle, and
 5 thy servants have cattle. And they said, If we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy servants for a possession;
 6 bring us not over Jordan. And Moses said unto the children of Gad and to the children of Reuben, Shall your brethren go to the
 7 war, and shall ye sit here? And wherefore discourage ye the heart of the children of Israel from going over into the land which the LORD
 8 hath given them? Thus did your fathers, when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea to see
 9 the land. For when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged the heart of the children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which
 10 the LORD had given them. And the LORD's anger was kindled in that day, and he sware,
 11 saying, Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; be-
 12 cause they have not wholly followed me: save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite, and Joshua the son of Nun: because they have
 13 wholly followed the LORD. And the LORD's anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them wander to and fro in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation, that had done

¹ In ver. 36,
Beth-nimrah.

² In ver. 38,
Sibmah.

³ In ver. 38,
Baal-meon.

evil in the sight of the LORD, was consumed. And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' 14
stead, an increase of sinful men, to augment yet the fierce anger of the LORD toward Israel. For if ye turn away from after him, he will yet 15
again leave them in the wilderness; and ye shall destroy all this people. And they came 16
near unto him, and said, We will build sheep-folds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones: but we ourselves will be ready armed to 17
go before the children of Israel, until we have brought them unto their place: and our little ones shall dwell in the fenced cities because of the inhabitants of the land. We will not 18
return unto our houses, until the children of Israel have inherited every man his inheritance. For we will not inherit with them on the other 19
side Jordan, and forward; because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side Jordan eastward. And Moses said unto them, If ye will do this 20
thing; if ye will arm yourselves to go before the LORD to the war, and every armed man of you 21
will pass over Jordan before the LORD, until he hath driven out his enemies from before him, and the land be subdued before the LORD: 22
then afterward ye shall return, and be guiltless towards the LORD, and towards Israel; and this land shall be unto you for a possession before the LORD. But if ye will not do so, behold, ye 23
have sinned against the LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out. Build you cities for 24
your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do that which hath proceeded out of your mouth. And the children of Gad and the children of 25
Reuben spake unto Moses, saying, Thy servants will do as my lord commandeth. Our little ones, 26
our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of Gilead: but thy servants 27

will pass over, every man that is armed for war, before the LORD to battle, as my lord saith.

- 28 So Moses gave charge concerning them to Eleazar the priest, and to Joshua the son of Nun, and to the heads of the fathers' *houses* of
29 the tribes of the children of Israel. And Moses said unto them, If the children of Gad and the children of Reuben will pass with you over Jordan, every man that is armed to battle, before the LORD, and the land shall be subdued before you; then ye shall give them the land of
30 Gilead for a possession: but if they will not pass over with you armed, they shall have possessions among you in the land of Canaan.
31 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben answered, saying, As the LORD hath
32 said unto thy servants, so will we do. We will pass over armed before the LORD into the land of Canaan, and the possession of our inheritance
33 *shall remain* with us beyond Jordan. And Moses gave unto them, even to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and unto the half tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, the land, according to the cities thereof with *their* borders, even the cities of the land round
34 about. And the children of Gad built Dibon,
35 and Ataroth, and Aroer; and Atroth-shophan,
36 and Jazer, and Jogbehah; and Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran: fenced cities, and folds for sheep.
37 And the children of Reuben built Heshbon,
38 and Elealeh, and Kiriathaim; and Nebo, and Baal-meon, (their names being changed,) and Sibmah: and gave other names unto the cities
39 which they builded. And the children of Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead, and took it, and dispossessed the Amorites

which were therein. And Moses gave Gilead ⁴⁰
unto Machir the son of Manasseh; and he
dwelt therein. And Jair the son of Manasseh ⁴¹
went and took the towns thereof, and called
them ¹Havvoth-jair. And Nobah went and ⁴²
took Kenath, and the ²villages thereof, and
called it Nobah, after his own name.

¹ That is, *The towns of Jair.*

² Heb. *daughters.*

³ Or, *stages*

⁴ Or, *by which*

These are the ³journeys of the children of ¹ **33**
Israel, ⁴when they went forth out of the land of
Egypt by their hosts under the hand of Moses
and Aaron. And Moses wrote their goings out ²
according to their journeys by the command-
ment of the LORD: and these are their journeys
according to their goings out. And they jour- ³
neyed from Rameses in the first month, on
the fifteenth day of the first month; on the
morrow after the passover the children of Israel
went out with an high hand in the sight of all
the Egyptians, while the Egyptians were bury- ⁴
ing all their firstborn, which the LORD had
smitten among them: upon their gods also the
LORD executed judgements. And the children ⁵
of Israel journeyed from Rameses, and pitched
in Succoth. And they journeyed from Succoth, ⁶
and pitched in Etham, which is in the edge
of the wilderness. And they journeyed from ⁷
Etham, and turned back unto Pi-hahiroth, which
is before Baal-zephon: and they pitched before
Migdol. And they journeyed from before Ha- ⁸
hiroth, and passed through the midst of the
sea into the wilderness: and they went three
days' journey in the wilderness of Etham, and
pitched in Marah. And they journeyed from ⁹
Marah, and came unto Elim: and in Elim
were twelve springs of water, and threescore
and ten palm trees; and they pitched there.
And they journeyed from Elim, and pitched by ¹⁰

11 the Red Sea. And they journeyed from the
Red Sea, and pitched in the wilderness of Sin.
12 And they journeyed from the wilderness of Sin,
13 and pitched in Dophkah. And they journeyed
14 from Dophkah, and pitched in Alush. And
they journeyed from Alush, and pitched in
Rephidim, where was no water for the people
15 to drink. And they journeyed from Rephidim,
16 and pitched in the wilderness of Sinai. And
they journeyed from the wilderness of Sinai,
17 and pitched in Kibroth-hattaavah. And they
journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah, and pitched in
18 Hazeroth. And they journeyed from Hazeroth,
19 and pitched in Rithmah. And they journeyed
from Rithmah, and pitched in Rimmon-perez.
20 And they journeyed from Rimmon-perez, and
21 pitched in Libnah. And they journeyed from
22 Libnah, and pitched in Rissah. And they
journeyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehe-
23 lathah. And they journeyed from Kehelathah,
24 and pitched in mount Shepher. And they
journeyed from mount Shepher, and pitched in
25 Haradah. And they journeyed from Haradah,
26 and pitched in Makheloth. And they journeyed
27 from Makheloth, and pitched in Tahath. And
they journeyed from Tahath, and pitched in
28 Terah. And they journeyed from Terah, and
29 pitched in Mithkah. And they journeyed from
30 Mithkah, and pitched in Hashmonah. And
they journeyed from Hashmonah, and pitched
31 in Moseroth. And they journeyed from Mo-
32 seroth, and pitched in Bene-jaakan. And they
journeyed from Bene-jaakan, and pitched in
33 Hor-haggidgad. And they journeyed from Hor-
34 haggidgad, and pitched in Jotbathah. And they
journeyed from Jotbathah, and pitched in Abro-
35 nah. And they journeyed from Abro-
36 nah, and pitched in Ezion-geber. And they journeyed

from Ezion-geber, and pitched in the wilderness of Zin (the same is Kadesh). And they journeyed from Kadesh, and pitched in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom. And Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor at the commandment of the LORD, and died there, in the fortieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fifth month, on the first day of the month. And Aaron was an hundred and twenty and three years old when he died in mount Hor. And the Canaanite, the king of Arad, which dwelt in the South in the land of Canaan, heard of the coming of the children of Israel. And they journeyed from mount Hor, and pitched in Zalmonah. And they journeyed from Zalmonah, and pitched in Punon. And they journeyed from Punon, and pitched in Oboth. And they journeyed from Oboth, and pitched in Iye-abarim, in the border of Moab. And they journeyed from Iyim, and pitched in Dibon-gad. And they journeyed from Dibon-gad, and pitched in Almon-diblathaim. And they journeyed from Almon-diblathaim, and pitched in the mountains of Abarim, before Nebo. And they journeyed from the mountains of Abarim, and pitched in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho. And they pitched by Jordan, from Beth-jeshimoth even unto Abel-shittim in the plains of Moab.

And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye pass over Jordan into the land of Canaan, then ye shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their figured *stones*, and destroy all their molten images, and demolish all their

53 high places : and ye shall take possession of the
land, and dwell therein : for unto you have I
54 given the land to possess it. And ye shall
inherit the land by lot according to your fami-
lies ; to the more ye shall give the more in-
heritance, and to the fewer thou shalt give the
less inheritance : wheresoever the lot falleth to
any man, that shall be his ; according to the
55 tribes of your fathers shall ye inherit. But if
ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land
from before you ; then shall those which ye let
remain of them be as pricks in your eyes, and
as thorns in your sides, and they shall vex you
56 in the land wherein ye dwell. And it shall
come to pass, that as I thought to do unto
them, so will I do unto you.

34 ¹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
² Command the children of Israel, and say unto
them, When ye come into the land of Canaan,
(this is the land that shall fall unto you for an
inheritance, even the land of Canaan according
³ to the borders thereof,) then your south quarter
shall be from the wilderness of Zin along by the
side of Edom, and your south border shall be
⁴ from the end of the Salt Sea eastward : and your
border shall turn about southward of the ascent
of Akrabbim, and pass along to Zin : and the
goings out thereof shall be southward of Kadesh-
barnea ; and it shall go forth to Hazar-addar, and
⁵ pass along to Azmon : and the border shall turn
about from Azmon unto the brook of Egypt, and
⁶ the goings out thereof shall be at the sea. And
for the western border, ye shall have the great
sea ¹and the border *thereof* : this shall be your
⁷ west border. And this shall be your north
border : from the great sea ye shall mark out
⁸ for you mount Hor : from mount Hor ye shall
mark out unto the entering in of Hamath ; and

¹ Or, for a
border

the goings out of the border shall be at Zedad :
and the border shall go forth to Ziphron, and 9
the goings out thereof shall be at Hazar-enan :
this shall be your north border. And ye shall 10
mark out your east border from Hazar-enan to
Shepham : and the border shall go down from 11
Shepham to Riblah, on the east side of Ain ;
and the border shall go down, and shall reach
unto the ¹side of the sea of Chinnereth east-
ward : and the border shall go down to Jordan, 12
and the goings out thereof shall be at the Salt
Sea : this shall be your land according to the
borders thereof round about. And Moses com- 13
manded the children of Israel, saying, This is
the land which ye shall inherit by lot, which the
LORD hath commanded to give unto the nine
tribes, and to the half tribe : for the tribe of the 14
children of Reuben according to their fathers'
houses, and the tribe of the children of Gad
according to their fathers' houses, have received,
and the half tribe of Manasseh have received,
their inheritance : the two tribes and the half 15
tribe have received their inheritance beyond
the Jordan at Jericho eastward, toward the sun-
rising.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 16
These are the names of the men which shall 17
divide the land unto you for inheritance : Eleazar
the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun. And ye 18
shall take one prince of every tribe, to divide
the land for inheritance. And these are the 19
names of the men : of the tribe of Judah, Caleb
the son of Jephunneh. And of the tribe of the 20
children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of Am-
mihud. Of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad the 21
son of Chislon. And of the tribe of the children 22
of Dan a prince, Bukki the son of Jogli. Of 23
the children of Joseph : of the tribe of the

¹ Heb.
shoulder.

children of Manasseh a prince, Hanniel the son
 24 of Ephod : and of the tribe of the children of
 Ephraim a prince, Kemuel the son of Shiphtan.
 25 And of the tribe of the children of Zebulun a
 26 prince, Elizaphan the son of Parnach. And of
 the tribe of the children of Issachar a prince,
 27 Paltiel the son of Azzan. And of the tribe of
 the children of Asher a prince, Ahihud the son
 28 of Shelomi. And of the tribe of the children
 of Naphtali a prince, Pedahel the son of Am-
 29 mihud. These are they whom the LORD com-
 manded to divide the inheritance unto the
 children of Israel in the land of Canaan.

35 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains
 of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho, saying,
 2 Command the children of Israel, that they give
 unto the Levites of the inheritance of their
 possession cities to dwell in ; and ¹suburbs for
 the cities round about them shall ye give unto
 3 the Levites. And the cities shall they have to
 dwell in ; and their suburbs shall be for their
 cattle, and for their substance, and for all their
 4 beasts. And the suburbs of the cities, which ye
 shall give unto the Levites, shall be from the
 wall of the city and outward a thousand cubits
 5 round about. And ye shall measure without
 the city for the east side two thousand cubits,
 and for the south side two thousand cubits, and
 for the west side two thousand cubits, and for
 the north side two thousand cubits, the city
 being in the midst. This shall be to them the
 6 suburbs of the cities. And the cities which ye
 shall give unto the Levites, they shall be the
 six cities of refuge, which ye shall give for the
 manslayer to flee thither : and beside them ye
 7 shall give forty and two cities. All the cities
 which ye shall give to the Levites shall be forty
 and eight cities : them *shall ye give* with their

¹ Or, *pasture
lands*

suburbs. And concerning the cities which ye 8 shall give of the possession of the children of Israel, from the many ye shall take many; and from the few ye shall take few: every one according to his inheritance which he inheriteth shall give of his cities unto the Levites.

¹ Or, *through error*

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 9 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto 10 them, When ye pass over Jordan into the land of Canaan, then ye shall appoint you cities to 11 be cities of refuge for you; that the manslayer which killeth any person ¹unwittingly may flee thither. And the cities shall be unto you for 12 refuge from the avenger; that the manslayer die not, until he stand before the congregation for judgement. And the cities which ye shall 13 give shall be for you six cities of refuge. Ye 14 shall give three cities beyond Jordan, and three cities shall ye give in the land of Canaan; they shall be cities of refuge. For the children of 15 Israel, and for the stranger and for the sojourner among them, shall these six cities be for refuge: that every one that killeth any person ¹unwittingly may flee thither. But if he smote 16 him with an instrument of iron, so that he died, he is a manslayer: the manslayer shall surely be put to death. And if he smote him with a 17 stone in the hand, whereby a man may die, and he died, he is a manslayer: the manslayer shall surely be put to death. Or if he smote him 18 with a weapon of wood in the hand, whereby a man may die, and he died, he is a manslayer: the manslayer shall surely be put to death. The avenger of blood shall himself put the 19 manslayer to death: when he meeteth him, he shall put him to death. And if he thrust him of 20 hatred, or hurled at him, lying in wait, so that he died; or in enmity smote him with his hand, 21

- that he died : he that smote him shall surely be put to death ; he is a manslayer : the avenger of blood shall put the manslayer to death, when
 22 he meeteth him. But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or hurled upon him any thing
 23 without lying in wait, or with any stone, whereby a man may die, seeing him not, and cast it upon him, so that he died, and he was not his
 24 enemy, neither sought his harm : then the congregation shall judge between the smiter and the avenger of blood according to these judge-
 25 ments : and the congregation shall deliver the manslayer out of the hand of the avenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to his city of refuge, whither he was fled : and he shall dwell therein until the death of the high priest, which was anointed with the holy oil.
 26 But if the manslayer shall at any time go beyond the border of his city of refuge, whither
 27 he fleeth ; and the avenger of blood find him without the border of his city of refuge, and the avenger of blood slay the manslayer ; ¹he
 28 shall not be guilty of blood : because he should have remained in his city of refuge until the death of the high priest : but after the death of the high priest the manslayer shall
 29 return into the land of his possession. And these things shall be for a statute of judgement unto you throughout your generations in all
 30 your dwellings. Whoso killeth any person, the manslayer shall be slain at the mouth of witnesses : but one witness shall not testify against
 31 any person that he die. Moreover ye shall take no ransom for the life of a manslayer, which is guilty of death : but he shall surely be put to
 32 death. And ye shall take no ransom for him that is fled to his city of refuge, that he should come again to dwell in the land, until the death

¹ Or, there shall be no bloodguiltiness for him

of the priest. So ye shall not pollute the land ³³
wherein ye are: for blood, it polluteth the land :
and no expiation can be made for the land for
the blood that is shed therein, but by the blood
of him that shed it. And thou shalt not defile ³⁴
the land which ye inhabit, in the midst of which
I dwell: for I the LORD dwell in the midst of
the children of Israel.

And the heads of the fathers' *houses* of the ¹ **36**
family of the children of Gilead, the son of Machir,
the son of Manasseh, of the families of the sons
of Joseph, came near, and spake before Moses,
and before the princes, the heads of the fathers'
houses of the children of Israel: and they said, ²
The LORD commanded my lord to give the land
for inheritance by lot to the children of Israel :
and my lord was commanded by the LORD to
give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother
unto his daughters. And if they be married to ³
any of the sons of the *other* tribes of the children
of Israel, then shall their inheritance be taken
away from the inheritance of our fathers, and
shall be added to the inheritance of the tribe
whereunto they shall belong: so shall it be
taken away from the lot of our inheritance. And ⁴
when the jubile of the children of Israel shall
be, then shall their inheritance be added unto
the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they shall
belong: so shall their inheritance be taken away
from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.
And Moses commanded the children of Israel ⁵
according to the word of the LORD, saying, The
tribe of the sons of Joseph speaketh right. This ⁶
is the thing which the LORD doth command
concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying,
Let them marry to whom they think best ; only
to the family of the tribe of their father shall

- 7 they marry. So shall no inheritance of the children of Israel remove from tribe to tribe : for the children of Israel shall cleave every one to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.
- 8 And every daughter, that possesseth an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Israel, shall be wife unto one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the children of Israel may possess every man the inheritance of his fathers.
- 9 So shall no inheritance remove from one tribe to another tribe ; for the tribes of the children of Israel shall cleave every one to his own
- 10 inheritance. Even as the LORD commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad :
- 11 for Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad, were
- 12 married unto their father's brothers' sons. They were married into the families of the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph, and their inheritance remained in the tribe of the family of their father.
- 13 These are the commandments and the judgments, which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses unto the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho.

THE FIFTH BOOK OF MOSES,

COMMONLY CALLED

DEUTERONOMY.

¹ That is, the deep valley running North and South of the Dead Sea.

² Some ancient versions have, *the Red Sea.*

THESE be the words which Moses spake unto ¹ 1
all Israel beyond Jordan in the wilderness, in
the ¹Arabah over against ²Suph, between Paran,
and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and
Di-zahab. It is eleven days' *journey* from ² 2
Horeb by the way of mount Seir unto Kadesh-
barnea. And it came to pass in the fortieth ³ 3
year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of
the month, that Moses spake unto the children
of Israel, according unto all that the LORD
had given him in commandment unto them;
after he had smitten Sihon the king of the ⁴ 4
Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og
the king of Bashan, which dwelt in Ashtaroth,
at Edrei: beyond Jordan, in the land of Moab, ⁵ 5
began Moses to declare this law, saying, The ⁶ 6
LORD our God spake unto us in Horeb, saying,
Ye have dwelt long enough in this mountain:
turn you, and take your journey, and go to ⁷ 7
the hill country of the Amorites, and unto all
the places nigh thereunto, in the Arabah, in the
hill country, and in the lowland, and in the
South, and by the sea shore, the land of the
Canaanites, and Lebanon, as far as the great
river, the river Euphrates. Behold, I have ⁸ 8
set the land before you: go in and possess the
land which the LORD sware unto your fathers,

- to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give
9 unto them and to their seed after them. And
I spake unto you at that time, saying, I am
10 not able to bear you myself alone: the LORD
your God hath multiplied you, and, behold, ye
are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.
11 The LORD, the God of your fathers, make you
a thousand times so many more as ye are, and
12 bless you, as he hath promised you! How can
I myself alone bear your cumbrance, and your
13 burden, and your strife? Take you wise men,
and understanding, and known, according to
your tribes, and I will make them heads over
14 you. And ye answered me, and said, The
thing which thou hast spoken is good *for us*
15 to do. So I took the heads of your tribes,
wise men, and known, and made them heads
over you, captains of thousands, and captains
of hundreds, and captains of fifties, and captains
of tens, and officers, according to your tribes.
16 And I charged your judges at that time, saying,
Hear *the causes* between your brethren, and judge
righteously between a man and his brother, and
17 the stranger that is with him. Ye shall not
respect persons in judgement; ye shall hear the
small and the great alike; ye shall not be afraid
of the face of man; for the judgement is God's:
and the cause that is too hard for you ye shall
18 bring unto me, and I will hear it. And I com-
manded you at that time all the things which
ye should do.
19 And we journeyed from Horeb, and went
through all that great and terrible wilderness
which ye saw, by the way to the hill country
of the Amorites, as the LORD our God com-
manded us; and we came to Kadesh-barnea.
20 And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the hill
country of the Amorites, which the LORD our

God giveth unto us. Behold, the LORD thy God ²¹
hath set the land before thee: go up, take possession, as the LORD, the God of thy fathers, hath spoken unto thee; fear not, neither be dismayed. And ye came near unto me every ²²
one of you, and said, Let us send men before us, that they may search the land for us, and bring us word again of the way by which we must go up, and the cities unto which we shall come. And the thing pleased me well: and I took ²³
twelve men of you, one man for every tribe: and they turned and went up into the mount- ²⁴
ain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, and spied it out. And they took of the fruit of ²⁵
the land in their hands, and brought it down unto us, and brought us word again, and said, It is a good land which the LORD our God giveth unto us. Yet ye would not go up, but ²⁶
rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God: and ye murmured in your tents, ²⁷
and said, Because the LORD hated us, he hath brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us. Whither are we going up? our ²⁸
brethren have made our heart to melt, saying, The people is greater and taller than we; the cities are great and fenced up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakim there. Then I said unto you, Dread not, neither ²⁹
be afraid of them. The LORD your God who ³⁰
goeth before you, he shall fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes; and in the wilderness, where thou ³¹
hast seen how that the LORD thy God bare thee, as a man doth bear his son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came unto this place. Yet ¹in this thing ye did not believe the LORD ³²
your God, who went before you in the way, ³³

¹ Or, *for all this thing*

to seek you out a place to pitch your tents in,
in fire by night, to shew you by what way ye
34 should go, and in the cloud by day. And the
LORD heard the voice of your words, and was
35 wroth, and sware, saying, Surely there shall
not one of these men of this evil generation
see the good land, which I sware to give unto
36 your fathers, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh,
he shall see it; and to him will I give the
land that he hath trodden upon, and to his
children: because he hath wholly followed the
37 LORD. Also the LORD was angry with me for
your sakes, saying, Thou also shalt not go in
38 thither: Joshua the son of Nun, which standeth
before thee, he shall go in thither: encourage
thou him; for he shall cause Israel to inherit
39 it. Moreover your little ones, which ye said
should be a prey, and your children, which this
day have no knowledge of good or evil, they
shall go in thither, and unto them will I give
40 it, and they shall possess it. But as for you,
turn you, and take your journey into the wilder-
41 ness by the way to the Red Sea. Then ye
answered and said unto me, We have sinned
against the LORD, we will go up and fight,
according to all that the LORD our God com-
manded us. And ye girded on every man his
weapons of war, and ¹were forward to go up
42 into the mountain. And the LORD said unto
me, Say unto them, Go not up, neither fight;
for I am not among you; lest ye be smitten
43 before your enemies. So I spake unto you,
and ye hearkened not; but ye rebelled against
the commandment of the LORD, and were pre-
sumptuous, and went up into the mountain.
44 And the Amorites, which dwelt in that mount-
ain, came out against you, and chased you,
as bees do, and beat you down in Seir, even

¹ Or, deemed it
a light thing

unto Hormah. And ye returned and wept 45
before the LORD; but the LORD hearkened not
to your voice, nor gave ear unto you. So ye 46
abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the
days that ye abode *there*.

Then we turned, and took our journey into 1 2
the wilderness by the way to the Red Sea, as the
LORD spake unto me: and we compassed mount
Seir many days. And the LORD spake unto me, 2
saying, Ye have compassed this mountain long 3
enough: turn you northward. And command 4
thou the people, saying, Ye are to pass through
the border of your brethren the children of Esau,
which dwell in Seir; and they shall be afraid of
you: take ye good heed unto yourselves there-
fore: contend not with them; for I will not
give you of their land, no, not so much as for
the sole of the foot to tread on: because I have
given mount Seir unto Esau for a possession.
Ye shall purchase food of them for money, that
ye may eat; and ye shall also buy water of them
for money, that ye may drink. For the LORD 7
thy God hath blessed thee in all the work of
thy hand: he hath known thy walking through
this great wilderness: these forty years the
LORD thy God hath been with thee; thou hast
lacked nothing. So we passed by from our 8
brethren the children of Esau, which dwell in
Seir, from the way of the Arabah from Elath
and from Ezion-geber.

And we turned and passed by the way of
the wilderness of Moab. And the LORD said 9
unto me, Vex not Moab, neither contend with
them in battle: for I will not give thee of his
land for a possession; because I have given Ar
unto the children of Lot for a possession. (The 10
Emim dwelt therein aforetime, a people great,
and many, and tall, as the Anakim: these also 11

are accounted ¹Rephaim, as the Anakim; but
12 the Moabites call them Emim. The Horites
also dwelt in Seir aforetime, but the children of
Esau succeeded them; and they destroyed them
from before them, and dwelt in their stead;
as Israel did unto the land of his possession,
13 which the LORD gave unto them.) Now rise
up, and get you over the brook Zered. And
14 we went over the brook Zered. And the days
in which we came from Kadesh-barnea, until
we were come over the brook Zered, were
thirty and eight years; until all the generation
of the men of war were consumed from the
midst of the camp, as the LORD sware unto them.
15 Moreover the hand of the LORD was against
them, to destroy them from the midst of the
camp, until they were consumed.

So it came to pass, when all the men of
war were consumed and dead from among the
17 people, that the LORD spake unto me, saying,
18 Thou art this day to pass over Ar, the border
19 of Moab: and when thou comest nigh over
against the children of Ammon, vex them not,
nor contend with them: for I will not give thee
of the land of the children of Ammon for a
possession: because I have given it unto the
20 children of Lot for a possession. (That also is
accounted a land of Rephaim: Rephaim dwelt
therein aforetime; but the Ammonites call them
21 Zamzummim; a people great, and many, and
tall, as the Anakim; but the LORD destroyed
them before them; and they succeeded them,
22 and dwelt in their stead: as he did for the
children of Esau, which dwell in Seir, when
he destroyed the Horites from before them;
and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their
23 stead even unto this day: and the Avvim which
dwelt in villages as far as Gaza, the Capthorim,

¹ See Gen.
xiv. 5.

which came forth out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.) Rise ye up, ²⁴ take your journey, and pass over the valley of Arnon: behold, I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle. This day will I begin to put the ²⁵ dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the peoples that are under the whole heaven, who shall hear the report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee.

¹ Heb. *by the way, by the way.*

And I sent messengers out of the wilderness ²⁶ of Kedemoth unto Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying, Let me pass through thy ²⁷ land: I will go ¹along by the high way, I will neither turn unto the right hand nor to the left. Thou shalt sell me food for money, that I may ²⁸ eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink: only let me pass through on my feet; as the children of Esau which dwell in Seir, ²⁹ and the Moabites which dwell in Ar, did unto me; until I shall pass over Jordan into the land which the LORD our God giveth us. But ³⁰ Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for the LORD thy God hardened his spirit, and made his heart ²obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand, as at this day. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have ³¹ begun to deliver up Sihon and his land before thee: begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his land. Then Sihon came out against us, he ³² and all his people, unto battle at Jahaz. And ³³ the LORD our God delivered him up before us; and we smote him, and his ³sons, and all his people. And we took all his cities at that time, ³⁴ and ⁴utterly destroyed every ⁵inhabited city, with the women and the little ones; we left none remaining: only the cattle we took for a prey ³⁵

² Heb. *strong.*

³ Or, *son*

⁴ Heb. *devoted.*

⁵ Heb. *city of men.*

unto ourselves, with the spoil of the cities which
 36 we had taken. From Aroer, which is on the
 edge of the valley of Arnon, and *from* the city
 that is in the valley, even unto Gilead, there
 was not a city too high for us: the LORD our
 37 God delivered up all before us: only to the land
 of the children of Ammon thou camest not near;
 all the side of the river Jabbok, and the cities
 of the hill country, and wheresoever the LORD
 our God forbad us.

3 1 Then we turned, and went up the way to
 Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan came
 out against us, he and all his people, unto
 2 battle at Edrei. And the LORD said unto me,
 Fear him not: for I have delivered him, and
 all his people, and his land, into thy hand;
 and thou shalt do unto him as thou didst un-
 to Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt
 3 at Heshbon. So the LORD our God delivered
 into our hand Og also, the king of Bashan,
 and all his people: and we smote him until
 4 none was left to him remaining. And we took
 all his cities at that time; there was not a
 city which we took not from them; threescore
 cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdom
 5 of Og in Bashan. All these were cities fenced
 with high walls, gates, and bars; beside the
 6 ¹unwalled towns a great many. And we ²utterly
 destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king of
 Heshbon, utterly destroying every ³inhabited
 7 city, with the women and the little ones. But
 all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities, we took
 8 for a prey unto ourselves. And we took the land
 at that time out of the hand of the two kings
 of the Amorites that were beyond Jordan, from
 9 the valley of Arnon unto mount Hermon; (*which*
 Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion, and the
 10 Amorites call it Senir;) all the cities of the

¹ Or, *country towns*

² Heb. *devoted*.

³ Heb. *city of men*.

¹ Or, *table land* ¹plain, and all Gilead, and all Bashan, unto Salecah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan. (For only Og king of Bashan ¹¹ remained of the remnant of the Rephaim; behold, his bedstead was a bedstead of iron; is it not in Rabbah of the children of Ammon? nine cubits was the length thereof, and four cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.) And this land we took in possession at ¹² that time: from Aroer, which is by the valley of Arnon, and half the hill country of Gilead, and the cities thereof, gave I unto the Reubenites and to the Gadites: and the rest of Gilead, ¹³ and all Bashan, the kingdom of Og, gave I unto the half tribe of Manasseh; ²all the region of Argob, ³even all Bashan. (The same is called the land of Rephaim. Jair the son of ¹⁴ Manasseh took all the region of Argob, unto the border of the Geshurites and the Maacathites; and called them, even Bashan, ⁴after his own name, Havvoth-jair, unto this day.) And I gave ¹⁵ Gilead unto Machir. And unto the Reubenites ¹⁶ and unto the Gadites I gave from Gilead even unto the valley of Arnon, the middle of the valley, ⁵and the border *thereof*; even unto the river Jabbok, which is the border of the children of Ammon; the Arabah also, and Jordan ⁵and ¹⁷ the border *thereof*, from Chinnereth even unto the sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, under the ⁶slopes of Pisgah eastward.

² Or, *all the region of Argob. (All that Bashan is called &c.*

³ Or, *with*

⁴ See Num. xxxii. 41.

⁵ Or, *for a border*

⁶ Or, *springs*

And I commanded you at that time, saying, ¹⁸ The LORD your God hath given you this land to possess it: ye shall pass over armed before your brethren the children of Israel, all the men of valour. But your wives, and your little ¹⁹ ones, and your cattle, (I know that ye have much cattle,) shall abide in your cities which I have given you; until the LORD give rest ²⁰

unto your brethren, as unto you, and they also possess the land which the LORD your God giveth them beyond Jordan: then shall ye return every man unto his possession, which I
21 have given you. And I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, Thine eyes have seen all that the LORD your God hath done unto these two kings: so shall the LORD do unto all
22 the kingdoms whither thou goest over. Ye shall not fear them: for the LORD your God, he it is that fighteth for you.

23 And I besought the LORD at that time,
24 saying, O Lord GOD, thou hast begun to shew thy servant thy greatness, and thy strong hand: for what god is there in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and accord-
25 ing to thy mighty acts? Let me go over, I pray thee, and see the good land that is beyond Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon.

26 But the LORD was wroth with me for your sakes, and hearkened not unto me: and the LORD said unto me, Let it suffice thee; speak
27 no more unto me of this matter. Get thee up into the top of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold with thine eyes: for thou
28 shalt not go over this Jordan. But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land
29 which thou shalt see. So we abode in the valley over against Beth-peor.

4 1 And now, O Israel, hearken unto the statutes and unto the judgements, which I teach you, for to do them; that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD, the
2 God of your fathers, giveth you. Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you,

neither shall ye diminish from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you. Your eyes have seen ³ what the LORD did because of Baal-peor: for all the men that followed Baal-peor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them from the midst of thee. But ye that did cleave unto the LORD ⁴ your God are alive every one of you this day. Behold, I have taught you statutes and judge- ⁵ ments, even as the LORD my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the midst of the land whither ye go in to possess it. Keep ⁶ therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people. For what great nation ⁷ is there, that hath ¹a god so nigh unto them, as the LORD our God is whensoever we call upon him? And what great nation is ⁸ there, that hath statutes and judgements so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day? Only take heed to thyself, and ⁹ keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes saw, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life; but make them known unto thy children and thy children's children; the day that thou ¹⁰ stoodest before the LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD said unto me, Assemble me the people, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children. And ye came near and ¹¹ stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire unto the heart of heaven, with darkness, cloud, and thick darkness. And the ¹² LORD spake unto you out of the midst of the

¹ Or, *God*

- fire: ye heard the voice of words, but ye saw no
13 form; only *ye heard* a voice. And he declared
unto you his covenant, which he commanded you
to perform, even the ten ¹commandments; and he ¹ Heb. *words*.
14 wrote them upon two tables of stone. And the
LORD commanded me at that time to teach you
statutes and judgements, that ye might do them
in the land whither ye go over to possess it.
15 Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves;
for ye saw no manner of form on the day that
the LORD spake unto you in Horeb out of the
16 midst of the fire: lest ye corrupt yourselves,
and make you a graven image in the form of
17 any figure, the likeness of male or female, the
likeness of any beast that is on the earth, the
likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the
18 heaven, the likeness of any thing that creepeth
on the ground, the likeness of any fish that
19 is in the water under the earth: and lest thou
lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou
seest the sun and the moon and the stars, even
all the host of heaven, thou be drawn away and
worship them, and serve them, which the LORD
thy God hath divided unto all the peoples
20 under the whole heaven. But the LORD hath
taken you, and brought you forth out of the
iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be unto him a
21 people of inheritance, as at this day. Further-
more the LORD was angry with me for your
sakes, and sware that I should not go over
Jordan, and that I should not go in unto
that good land, which the LORD thy God
22 giveth thee for an inheritance: but I must die
in this land, I must not go over Jordan: but
ye shall go over, and possess that good land.
23 Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the
covenant of the LORD your God, which he
made with you, and make you a graven image

in the form of any thing which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee. For the LORD thy God is a devouring fire, a jealous God. 24

When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye shall have been long in the land, and shall corrupt yourselves, and make a graven image in the form of any thing, and shall do that which is evil in the sight of the LORD thy God, to provoke him to anger: I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed. And the LORD shall scatter you among the peoples, and ye shall be left few in number among the nations, whither the LORD shall lead you away. And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell. But if from thence ye shall seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find him, if thou search after him with all thy heart and with all thy soul. When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, ¹in the latter days thou shalt return to the LORD thy God, and hearken unto his voice: for the LORD thy God is a merciful God; he will not fail thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he swore unto them. For ask now of the days that are past, which were before thee, since the day that God created man upon the earth, and from the one end of heaven unto the other, whether there hath been *any such thing* as this great thing is, or hath been heard like it? Did ever people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou hast heard, and live? Or hath God assayed to go and take him

¹ Or, if in the latter days thou return

- a nation from the midst of *another* nation, by
temptations, by signs, and by wonders, and by ^{1 Or, trials}
war, and by a mighty hand, and by a stretched ^{Or, evidences}
out arm, and by great terrors, according to
all that the LORD your God did for you in
35 Egypt before your eyes? Unto thee it was
shewed, that thou mightest know that the
LORD he is God; there is none else beside
36 him. Out of heaven he made thee to hear his
voice, that he might instruct thee: and upon
earth he made thee to see his great fire; and
thou heardest his words out of the midst of
37 the fire. And because he loved thy fathers,
therefore he chose their seed after them, and
brought thee out with his presence, with his
38 great power, out of Egypt; to drive out
nations from before thee greater and mightier
than thou, to bring thee in, to give thee their
39 land for an inheritance, as at this day. Know
therefore this day, and lay it to thine heart,
that the LORD he is God in heaven above and
upon the earth beneath: there is none else.
40 And thou shalt keep his statutes, and his com-
mandments, which I command thee this day,
that it may go well with thee, and with thy
children after thee, and that thou mayest pro-
long thy days upon the land, which the LORD
thy God giveth thee, for ever.
- 41 Then Moses separated three cities beyond
42 Jordan toward the sunrising; that the man-
slayer might flee thither, which slayeth his
neighbour unawares, and hated him not in time
past; and that fleeing unto one of these cities
43 he might live: *namely*, Bezer in the wilderness,
in the ²plain country, for the Reubenites; and ^{2 Or, table land}
Ramoth in Gilead, for the Gadites; and Golan
in Bashan, for the Manassites.
- 44 And this is the law which Moses set before

the children of Israel: these are the testimonies, 45
and the statutes, and the judgements, which
Moses spake unto the children of Israel, when
they came forth out of Egypt; beyond Jordan, 46
in the valley over against Beth-peor, in the land
of Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at
Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of
Israel smote, when they came forth out of
Egypt: and they took his land in possession, 47
and the land of Og king of Bashan, the two
kings of the Amorites, which were beyond
Jordan toward the sunrising; from Aroer, which 48
is on the edge of the valley of Arnon, even
unto mount Sion (the same is Hermon), and 49
all the Arabah beyond Jordan eastward, even
unto the sea of the Arabah, under the ¹slopes
of Pisgah.

¹ Or, *springs*

And Moses called unto all Israel, and said 1 5
unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and
the judgements which I speak in your ears this
day, that ye may learn them, and observe to do
them. The LORD our God made a covenant 2
with us in Horeb. The LORD made not this 3
covenant with our fathers, but with us, even
us, who are all of us here alive this day. The 4
LORD spake with you face to face in the mount
out of the midst of the fire, (I stood between 5
the LORD and you at that time, to shew you
the word of the LORD: for ye were afraid
because of the fire, and went not up into the
mount;) saying,

² See Ex. xx.
2.

³ Heb. *bond-*
men.

⁴ Or, *beside me*

²I am the LORD thy God, which brought 6
thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the
house of ³bondage.

Thou shalt have none other gods ⁴before me. 7
Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven 8
image, *the likeness of* any form that is in

- heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath,
9 or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the third and upon the fourth generation of them that hate me;
10 and shewing mercy unto ¹thousands, of them that love me and keep my commandments. ¹See Ex. xx. 6.
- 11 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God ²in vain: for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name ²in vain. ² Or, for vanity or falsehood
- 12 Observe the sabbath day, to keep it holy,
13 as the LORD thy God commanded thee. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:
14 but the seventh day is a sabbath unto the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well
15 as thou. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God brought thee out thence by a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.
- 16 Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God commanded thee: that thy days may be long, and that it may go well with thee, upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- 17 Thou shalt do no murder.
18 Neither shalt thou commit adultery.
19 Neither shalt thou steal.
20 Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.

[Ver. 18 in
Heb.]

Neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's ²¹
wife; neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's
house, his field, or his manservant, or his maid-
servant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is
thy neighbour's.

These words the LORD spake unto all your ²²
assembly in the mount out of the midst of the
fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness,
with a great voice: and he added no more.
And he wrote them upon two tables of stone,
and gave them unto me. And it came to pass, ²³
when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the
darkness, while the mountain did burn with
fire, that ye came near unto me, even all the
heads of your tribes, and your elders; and ye ²⁴
said, Behold, the LORD our God hath shewed us
his glory and his greatness, and we have heard
his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have
seen this day that God doth speak with man,
and he liveth. Now therefore why should we ²⁵
die? for this great fire will consume us: if we
hear the voice of the LORD our God any more,
then we shall die. For who is there of all flesh, ²⁶
that hath heard the voice of the living God
speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we
have, and lived? Go thou near, and hear all ²⁷
that the LORD our God shall say: and speak
thou unto us all that the LORD our God shall
speak unto thee; and we will hear it, and do it.
And the LORD heard the voice of your words, ²⁸
when ye spake unto me; and the LORD said
unto me, I have heard the voice of the words
of this people, which they have spoken unto
thee: they have well said all that they have
spoken. ¹Oh that there were such an heart in ²⁹
them, that they would fear me, and keep all my
commandments always, that it might be well
with them, and with their children for ever!

¹ Or, *Oh that
they had such
an heart as this
always, to fear
me, and keep
all my com-
mandments,
that &c.*

30, 31 Go say to them, Return ye to your tents. But as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I will speak unto thee all the commandment, and the statutes, and the judgements, which thou shalt teach them, that they may do them in the land which I give them to possess it. Ye shall observe to do therefore as the LORD your God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. Ye shall walk in all the way which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess.

6 1 Now this is the commandment, the statutes, and the judgements, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it: that thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD, the God of thy fathers, hath promised unto thee, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

4 Hear, O Israel: ¹the LORD our God is one
5 LORD: and thou shalt love the LORD thy God
6 with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and
7 with all thy might. And these words, which I
8 command thee this day, shall be upon thine
heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently
unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when
thou sittest in thine house, and when thou
walkest by the way, and when thou liest down,
and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind

¹ Or, *the LORD our God, the LORD is one*
Or, *the LORD is our God, the LORD is one*
Or, *the LORD is our God, the LORD alone*

them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be for frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thy house, and upon thy gates.

And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land which he swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee; great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, and houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and cisterns hewn out, which thou hewedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not, and thou shalt eat and be full; then beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God; and him shalt thou serve, and shalt swear by his name. Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the peoples which are round about you; for the LORD thy God in the midst of thee is a jealous God; lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and he destroy thee from off the face of the earth.

Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as ye tempted him in Massah. Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee. And thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of the LORD: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD swore unto thy fathers, to thrust out all thine enemies from before thee, as the LORD hath spoken.

When thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgements, which the LORD our God hath commanded you? then thou

shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and the LORD brought us
 22 out of Egypt with a mighty hand: and the LORD shewed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon
 23 all his house, before our eyes: and he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he sware unto our
 24 fathers. And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve
 25 us alive, as at this day. And it shall be righteousness unto us, if we observe to do all this commandment before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.

7 1 When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and shall ¹cast out many nations before thee, the Hittite, and the Girgashite, and the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, seven nations
 2 greater and mightier than thou; and when the LORD thy God shall deliver them up before thee, and thou shalt smite them; then thou shalt ²utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:
 3 neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.
 4 For he will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and he will destroy thee quickly. But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall break down their altars, and dash in pieces their ³pillars, and hew down their ⁴Asherim, and burn their
 6 graven images with fire. For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy

¹ Heb. *pluck off*.

² Heb. *devote*.

³ Or, *obelisks*

⁴ See Ex. xxxiv. 13.

¹ Or, *out of*

God hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, ¹above all peoples that are upon the face of the earth. The LORD did not set ⁷ his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all peoples: but ⁸ because the LORD loveth you, and because he would keep the oath which he sware unto your fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the ⁹ LORD thy God, he is God; the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations; and repayeth them ¹⁰ that hate him to their face, to destroy them; he will not be slack to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face. Thou shalt there- ¹¹ fore keep the commandment, and the statutes, and the judgements, which I command thee this day, to do them.

And it shall come to pass, because ye hearken ¹² to these judgements, and keep, and do them, that the LORD thy God shall keep with thee the covenant and the mercy which he sware unto thy fathers: and he will love thee, and ¹³ bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless the fruit of thy body and the fruit of thy ground, thy corn and thy wine and thine oil, the increase of thy kine and the young of thy flock, in the land which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee. Thou shalt be blessed above all ¹⁴ peoples: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle. And ¹⁵ the LORD will take away from thee all sickness; and he will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee, but

- will lay them upon all them that hate thee.
- 16 And thou shalt consume all the peoples which the LORD thy God shall deliver unto thee; thine eye shall not pity them: neither shalt thou serve their gods; for that will be a snare unto thee.
- 17 If thou shalt say in thine heart, These nations are more than I; how can I dispossess them?
- 18 thou shalt not be afraid of them: thou shalt well remember what the LORD thy God did
- 19 unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt; the great¹ temptations which thine eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched out arm, whereby the LORD thy God brought thee out: so shall the LORD thy God do unto all the peoples of whom thou
- 20 art afraid. Moreover the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them, until they that are left, and² hide themselves, perish from be-
- 21 fore thee. Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God is in the midst of
- 22 thee, a great God and a terrible. And the LORD thy God will cast out those nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them³ at once, lest the beasts of the
- 23 field increase upon thee. But the LORD thy God shall deliver them up before thee, and shall discomfit them with a great discomfiture,
- 24 until they be destroyed. And he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt make their name to perish from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before thee,
- 25 until thou have destroyed them. The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not covet the silver or the gold that is on them, nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it is an abomination to the
- 26 LORD thy God: and thou shalt not bring an abomination into thine house, and become a

¹ Or, *trials*
See ch. iv. 34,
and xxix. 3.

² Or, *hide themselves from thee, perish*

³ Or, *quickly*

devoted thing like unto it : thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it ; for it is a devoted thing.

All the commandment which I command 1 8
thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers. And thou shalt remember all the way 2
which the LORD thy God hath led thee these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble thee, to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no. And he humbled thee, 3
and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know ; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every thing that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live. Thy raiment waxed 4
not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years. And thou shalt consider in 5
thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, so the LORD thy God chasteneth thee. And thou 6
shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him. For 7
the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths, springing forth in valleys and hills ; a land of wheat and barley, and vines and fig 8
trees and pomegranates ; a land of oil olives and honey ; a land wherein thou shalt eat 9
bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any thing in it ; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass. And thou shalt eat and be full, and thou shalt 10
bless the LORD thy God for the good land which he hath given thee. Beware lest thou 11
forget the LORD thy God, in not keeping his

- commandments, and his judgements, and his
12 statutes, which I command thee this day : lest
when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast
13 built goodly houses, and dwelt therein ; and
when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and
thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all
14 that thou hast is multiplied ; then thine heart be
lifted up, and thou forget the LORD thy God,
which brought thee forth out of the land of
15 Egypt, out of the house of bondage ; who led
thee through the great and terrible wilderness,
wherein were fiery serpents and scorpions, and
thirsty ground where was no water ; who
brought thee forth water out of the rock of
16 flint ; who fed thee in the wilderness with
manna, which thy fathers knew not ; that he
might humble thee, and that he might prove
17 thee, to do thee good at thy latter end : and
thou say in thine heart, My power and the
might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth.
18 But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God, for
it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth ;
that he may establish his covenant which he
19 sware unto thy fathers, as at this day. And
it shall be, if thou shalt forget the LORD thy
God, and walk after other gods, and serve
them, and worship them, I testify against you
20 this day that ye shall surely perish. As the
nations which the LORD maketh to perish be-
fore you, so shall ye perish ; because ye would
not hearken unto the voice of the LORD your
God.
- 9 1 Hear, O Israel : thou art to pass over Jor-
dan this day, to go in to possess nations greater
and mightier than thyself, cities great and
2 fenced up to heaven, a people great and tall,
the sons of the Anakim, whom thou knowest,
and of whom thou hast heard say, Who can

stand before the sons of Anak? Know there-
fore this day, that the LORD thy God is he
which goeth over before thee as a devouring
fire; he shall destroy them, and he shall bring
them down before thee: so shalt thou drive
them out, and make them to perish quickly,
as the LORD hath spoken unto thee. Speak
not thou in thine heart, after that the LORD
thy God hath thrust them out from before thee,
saying, For my righteousness the LORD hath
brought me in to possess this land: whereas
for the wickedness of these nations the LORD
doth drive them out from before thee. Not
for thy righteousness, or for the uprightness
of thine heart, dost thou go in to possess their
land: but for the wickedness of these nations
the LORD thy God doth drive them out from
before thee, and that he may establish the word
which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to
Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. Know there-
fore, that the LORD thy God giveth thee not
this good land to possess it for thy righteous-
ness; for thou art a stiffnecked people. Re-
member, forget thou not, how thou provokedst
the LORD thy God to wrath in the wilderness:
from the day that thou wentest forth out of the
land of Egypt, until ye came unto this place, ye
have been rebellious against the LORD. Also
in Horeb ye provoked the LORD to wrath, and
the LORD was angry with you to have destroyed
you. When I was gone up into the mount to
receive the tables of stone, even the tables of
the covenant which the LORD made with you,
then I abode in the mount forty days and forty
nights; I did neither eat bread nor drink water.
And the LORD delivered unto me the two
tables of stone written with the finger of God;
and on them *was written* according to all the

words, which the LORD spake with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of
11 the assembly. And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, that the LORD gave me the two tables of stone, even the tables
12 of the covenant. And the LORD said unto me, Arise, get thee down quickly from hence; for thy people which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted themselves; they are quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a
13 molten image. Furthermore the LORD spake unto me, saying, I have seen this people, and,
14 behold, it is a stiffnecked people: let me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven: and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they.
15 So I turned and came down from the mount, and the mount burned with fire: and the two tables of the covenant were in my two hands.
16 And I looked, and, behold, ye had sinned against the LORD your God; ye had made you a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which the LORD had commanded
17 you. And I took hold of the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and brake them
18 before your eyes. And I fell down before the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights; I did neither eat bread nor drink water; because of all your sin which ye sinned, in doing that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, to
19 provoke him to anger. For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure, wherewith the LORD was wroth against you to destroy you. But the
20 LORD hearkened unto me that time also. And the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have destroyed him: and I prayed for Aaron
21 also the same time. And I took your sin, the

calf which ye had made, and burnt it with fire, and stamped it, grinding it very small, until it was as fine as dust : and I cast the dust thereof into the brook that descended out of the mount. And at Taberah, and at Massah, and at Kibroth-hattaavah, ye provoked the LORD to wrath. And when the LORD sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, Go up and possess the land which I have given you; then ye rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God, and ye believed him not, nor hearkened to his voice. Ye have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew you. So I fell down before the LORD the forty days and forty nights that I fell down; because the LORD had said he would destroy you. And I prayed unto the LORD, and said, O Lord God, destroy not thy people and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatness, which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand. Remember thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto the stubbornness of this people, nor to their wickedness, nor to their sin: lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say, Because the LORD was not able to bring them into the land which he promised unto them, and because he hated them, he hath brought them out to slay them in the wilderness. Yet they are thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy great power and by thy stretched out arm.

At that time the LORD said unto me, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and make thee an ark of wood. And I will write on the tables the words that were on the first tables which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the ark. So I made an ark of acacia wood,

and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the
4 two tables in mine hand. And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten ¹commandments, which the LORD spake ¹ Heb. *words*. unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and the LORD
5 gave them unto me. And I turned and came down from the mount, and put the tables in the ark which I had made; and there they be,
6 as the LORD commanded me. (And the children of Israel journeyed from ²Beeroth Bene-
jaakan to Moserah: there Aaron died, and there he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in the priest's office in his stead.
7 From thence they journeyed unto Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to Jotbathah, a land of
8 brooks of water. At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi, to bear the ark of the covenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister unto him, and to bless in
9 his name, unto this day. Wherefore Levi hath no portion nor inheritance with his brethren; the LORD is his inheritance, according as the
10 LORD thy God spake unto him.) And I stayed in the mount, as at the first time, forty days and forty nights: and the LORD hearkened unto me that time also; the LORD would not destroy
11 thee. And the LORD said unto me, Arise, take thy journey before the people; and they shall go in and possess the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give unto them.
12 And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy
13 heart and with all thy soul, to keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes,

² Or, *the wells of the children of Jaakan*

which I command thee this day for thy good? Behold, unto the LORD thy God belongeth ¹⁴ the heaven, and the heaven of heavens, the earth, with all that therein is. Only the LORD ¹⁵ had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and he chose their seed after them, even you ¹ above all peoples, as at this day. Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffnecked. For the LORD your God, he is God ¹⁷ of gods, and Lord of lords, the great God, the mighty, and the terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward. He doth execute ¹⁸ the judgement of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment. Love ye therefore the stranger: for ¹⁹ ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. Thou ²⁰ shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve; and to him shalt thou cleave, and by his name shalt thou swear. He is thy praise, and ²¹ he is thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things, which thine eyes have seen. Thy fathers went down into Egypt with ²² threescore and ten persons; and now the LORD thy God hath made thee as the stars of heaven for multitude.

Therefore thou shalt love the LORD thy ¹ **11** God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgements, and his commandments, alway. And know ye this day: for *I speak* ² not with your children which have not known, and which have not seen the ² chastisement of the LORD your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, and his stretched out arm, and ³ his signs, and his works, which he did in the midst of Egypt unto Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and unto all his land; and what he ⁴ did unto the army of Egypt, unto their horses, and to their chariots; how he made the water

¹ Or, *out of*

² Or,
instruction

of the Red Sea to overflow them as they pursued after you, and how the LORD hath destroyed them unto this day; and what he did unto you in the wilderness, until ye came unto this place; and what he did unto Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben; how the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents, and every living thing that followed them, in the midst of all Israel: but your eyes have seen all the great work of the LORD which he did. Therefore shall ye keep all the commandment which I command thee this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye go over to possess it; and that ye may prolong your days upon the land, which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give unto them and to their seed, a land flowing with milk and honey. For the land, whither thou goest in to possess it, is not as the land of Egypt, from whence ye came out, where thou sowedst thy seed, and wateredst it with thy foot, as a garden of herbs: but the land, whither ye go over to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, *and* drinketh water of the rain of heaven: a land which the LORD thy God ¹careth for; the eyes of the LORD thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

¹ Heb. *seeketh after.*

And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, that I will give the rain of your land in its season, the former rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil. And I will give grass in thy fields for thy cattle, and thou shalt eat

and be full. Take heed to yourselves, lest your heart be deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them; and the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and he shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and ye perish quickly from off the good land which the LORD giveth you. Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul; and ye shall bind them for a sign upon your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. And ye shall teach them your children, talking of them, when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates: that your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, upon the land which the LORD swore unto your fathers to give them, as the days of the heavens above the earth. For if ye shall diligently keep all this commandment which I command you, to do it; to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him; then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess nations greater and mightier than yourselves. Every place whereon the sole of your foot shall tread shall be yours: from the wilderness, and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the ¹hinder sea shall be your border. There shall no man be able to stand before you: the LORD your God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, as he hath spoken unto you.

¹ That is, western.

Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; the blessing, if ye shall hearken unto the commandments of the LORD your God,

28 which I command you this day : and the curse, if ye shall not hearken unto the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.

29 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, that thou shalt set the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and the curse

30 upon mount Ebal. Are they not beyond Jordan, behind the way of the going down of the sun, in the land of the Canaanites which dwell in the Arabah, over against Gilgal, beside

31 the ¹oaks of Moreh? For ye are to pass over ¹ Or, *terebinths*

Jordan to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God giveth you, and ye shall possess

32 it, and dwell therein. And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and the judgements which I set before you this day.

12 ¹ These are the statutes and the judgements, which ye shall observe to do in the land which the LORD, the God of thy fathers, hath given thee to possess it, all the days that ye live

2 upon the earth. Ye shall surely destroy all the places, wherein the nations which ye shall possess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and

3 upon the hills, and under every green tree : and ye shall break down their altars, and dash in pieces their ²pillars, and burn their Asherim with

fire ; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods ; and ye shall destroy their name

4 out of that place. Ye shall not do so unto the

5 LORD your God. But unto the place which the LORD your God shall choose out of all your tribes to put his name there, even unto his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt

6 come : and thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes,

² Or, *obelisks*

and the heave offering of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herd and of your flock : and there 7 ye shall eat before the LORD your God, and ye shall rejoice in all that ye put your hand unto, ye and your households, wherein the LORD thy God hath blessed thee. Ye shall not do after 8 all the things that we do here this day, every man whatsoever is right in his own eyes : for ye 9 are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which the LORD your God giveth thee. But when ye go over Jordan, and dwell 10 in the land which the LORD your God causeth you to inherit, and he giveth you rest from all your enemies round about, so that ye dwell in safety ; then it shall come to pass that the 11 place which the LORD your God shall choose to cause his name to dwell there, thither shall ye bring all that I command you ; your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which ye vow unto the LORD : and 12 ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God, ye, and your sons, and your daughters, and your menservants, and your maidservants, and the Levite that is within your gates, forasmuch as he hath no portion nor inheritance with you. Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy 13 burnt offerings in every place that thou seest : but in the place which the LORD shall choose in 14 one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee. Notwithstanding thou mayest 15 kill and eat flesh within all thy gates, after all the desire of thy soul, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee : the unclean and the clean may eat thereof, as of the gazelle, and as of the hart. Only ye shall 16

- not eat the blood ; thou shalt pour it out upon
17 the earth as water. Thou mayest not eat within
thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or of thy wine,
or of thine oil, or the firstlings of thy herd or
of thy flock, nor any of thy vows which thou
vowest, nor thy freewill offerings, nor the heave
18 offering of thine hand : but thou shalt eat them
before the LORD thy God in the place which the
LORD thy God shall choose, thou, and thy son,
and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy
maidservant, and the Levite that is within thy
gates : and thou shalt rejoice before the LORD
thy God in all that thou puttest thine hand
19 unto. Take heed to thyself that thou forsake
not the Levite as long as thou livest upon thy
land.
- 20 When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy
border, as he hath promised thee, and thou
shalt say, I will eat flesh, because thy soul de-
sireth to eat flesh ; thou mayest eat flesh, after
21 all the desire of thy soul. If the place which
the LORD thy God shall choose to put his name
there be too far from thee, then thou shalt kill
of thy herd and of thy flock, which the LORD
hath given thee, as I have commanded thee,
and thou shalt eat within thy gates, after all the
22 desire of thy soul. Even as the gazelle and as
the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat thereof : the
unclean and the clean shall eat thereof alike.
- 23 Only be sure that thou eat not the blood : for
the blood is the life ; and thou shalt not eat the
24 life with the flesh. Thou shalt not eat it ; thou
shalt pour it out upon the earth as water.
- 25 Thou shalt not eat it ; that it may go well with
thee, and with thy children after thee, when
thou shalt do that which is right in the eyes of
26 the LORD. Only thy holy things which thou
hast, and thy vows, thou shalt take, and go

unto the place which the LORD shall choose :
and thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, the ²⁷
flesh and the blood, upon the altar of the LORD
thy God : and the blood of thy sacrifices shall
be poured out upon the altar of the LORD thy
God, and thou shalt eat the flesh. Observe ²⁸
and hear all these words which I command
thee, that it may go well with thee, and with
thy children after thee for ever, when thou doest
that which is good and right in the eyes of the
LORD thy God.

¹ Heb. *after*
them.

² Or, *that I*
also may do
likewise

When the LORD thy God shall cut off the ²⁹
nations from before thee, whither thou goest
in to possess them, and thou possessest them,
and dwellest in their land ; take heed to thyself ³⁰
that thou be not ensnared ¹to follow them, after
that they be destroyed from before thee ; and
that thou inquire not after their gods, saying,
How do these nations serve their gods ? ²even
so will I do likewise. Thou shalt not do so ³¹
unto the LORD thy God : for every abomination
to the LORD, which he hateth, have they done
unto their gods ; for even their sons and their
daughters do they burn in the fire to their gods.

[Ch. xiii. 1 in
Heb.]

What thing soever I command you, that shall ³²
ye observe to do : thou shalt not add thereto,
nor diminish from it.

If there arise in the midst of thee a prophet, ¹ **13**
or a dreamer of dreams, and he give thee a sign
or a wonder, and the sign or the wonder come ²
to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying,
Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not
known, and let us serve them ; thou shalt not ³
hearken unto the words of that prophet, or unto
that dreamer of dreams : for the LORD your
God proveth you, to know whether ye love the
LORD your God with all your heart and with all
your soul. Ye shall walk after the LORD your ⁴

God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve
5 him, and cleave unto him. And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath spoken ¹rebellion against the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of bondage, to draw thee aside out of the way which the LORD thy God commanded thee to walk in. So shalt thou put away the evil from the midst of thee.

¹ Heb. *turning aside.*

6 If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy
7 fathers; of the gods of the peoples which are round about you, nigh unto thee, or far off from thee, from the one end of the earth even unto
8 the other end of the earth; thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou
9 spare, neither shalt thou conceal him: but thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards
10 the hand of all the people. And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to draw thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of
11 Egypt, out of the house of bondage. And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall do no more any such wickedness as this is in the midst of thee.

12 If thou shalt hear tell ²concerning one of thy cities, which the LORD thy God giveth thee

² Or, *in*

13 to dwell there, saying, Certain ³base fellows are gone out from the midst of thee, and have drawn away the inhabitants of their city, saying,

³ Heb. *sons of worthlessness.*

Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known; then shalt thou inquire, and make ¹⁴ search, and ask diligently; and, behold, if it be truth, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought in the midst of thee; thou shalt ¹⁵ surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, ¹destroying it utterly, and all that is therein and the cattle thereof, with the edge of the sword. And thou shalt gather all ¹⁶ the spoil of it into the midst of the street thereof, and shalt burn with fire the city, and all the spoil thereof ²every whit, unto the LORD thy God: and it shall be an ³heap for ever; it shall not be built again. And there shall cleave nought of ¹⁷ the devoted thing to thine hand: that the LORD may turn from the fierceness of his anger, and shew thee mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers; when thou shalt hearken to the ¹⁸ voice of the LORD thy God, to keep all his commandments which I command thee this day, to do that which is right in the eyes of the LORD thy God.

Ye are the children of the LORD your God: ¹ **14** ye shall not cut yourselves, nor make any baldness between your eyes for the dead. For ² thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, ⁴above all peoples that are upon the face of the earth.

Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing. ³ These are the beasts which ye shall eat: the ⁴ ox, the sheep, and the goat, the hart, and the ⁵ gazelle, and the roebuck, and the wild goat, and the pygarg, and the antelope, and the chamois. And every beast that parteth the ⁶ hoof, and hath the hoof cloven in two, *and* ⁵cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that ye

¹ Heb.
devoting it.

² Or, as a
*whole burnt
offering*

³ Or, mound
Heb. *tel.*

⁴ Or, out of

⁵ Heb.
bringeth up.

7 shall eat. Nevertheless these ye shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that have the hoof cloven: the camel, and the hare, and the ¹coney, because they chew the cud but part not the hoof, they are unclean unto you:

¹ See Lev. xi. 5.

8 and the swine, because he parteth the hoof but cheweth not the cud, he is unclean unto you: of their flesh ye shall not eat, and their carcasses ye shall not touch.

9 These ye shall eat of all that are in the waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales shall ye eat: and whatsoever hath not fins and scales ye shall not eat; it is unclean unto you.

11, 12 Of all clean birds ye may eat. But these are they of which ye shall not eat: the ²eagle, and

² See Lev. xi. 13, &c.

13 the gier eagle, and the ospray; and the gledes,

14 and the falcon, and the kite after its kind; and

15 every raven after its kind; and the ostrich, and

the night hawk, and the seamew, and the hawk

16 after its kind; the little owl, and the great owl,

17 and the horned owl; and the pelican, and the

18 vulture, and the cormorant; and the stork, and

the heron after its kind, and the hoopoe, and

19 the bat. And all winged creeping things are

20 unclean unto you: they shall not be eaten. Of all clean fowls ye may eat.

21 Ye shall not eat of any thing that dieth of itself: thou mayest give it unto the stranger that is within thy gates, that he may eat it; or thou mayest sell it unto a foreigner: for thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in its mother's milk.

22 Thou shalt surely tithe all the increase of thy seed, that which cometh forth of the field year
23 by year. And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to cause his name to dwell there, the tithe of thy

corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herd and of thy flock; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always. And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou²⁴ art not able to carry it, because the place is too far from thee, which the LORD thy God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God shall bless thee: then shalt thou turn²⁵ it into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: and thou shalt²⁶ bestow the money for whatsoever thy soul desireth, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul asketh of thee: and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou and thine household: and the Levite that is within thy gates, thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no portion nor inheritance with thee.

At the end of every three years thou shalt²⁸ bring forth all the tithe of thine increase in the same year, and shalt lay it up within thy gates: and the Levite, because he hath no portion nor²⁹ inheritance with thee, and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest.

At the end of every seven years thou shalt¹ 15 make a release. And this is the manner of the² release: every creditor shall release that which he hath lent unto his neighbour; he shall not exact it of his neighbour and his brother; because the LORD'S release hath been proclaimed. Of a foreigner thou mayest exact it: but what-³ soever of thine is with thy brother thine hand shall¹ release. Howbeit there shall be no poor⁴ with thee; (for the LORD will surely bless thee

¹ Or, release:
save when there
&c.

in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee
5 for an inheritance to possess it;) if only thou
diligently hearken unto the voice of the LORD
thy God, to observe to do all this command-
6 ment which I command thee this day. For the
LORD thy God will bless thee, as he promised
thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations,
but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt rule
over many nations, but they shall not rule over
thee.

- 7 If there be with thee a poor man, one of thy
brethren, within any of thy gates in thy land
which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt
not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from
8 thy poor brother: but thou shalt surely open
thine hand unto him, and shalt surely lend him
sufficient for his need *in that* which he wanteth.
9 Beware that there be not a base thought in thine
heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of
release, is at hand; and thine eye be evil against
thy poor brother, and thou give him nought;
and he cry unto the LORD against thee, and it
10 be sin unto thee. Thou shalt surely give him,
and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou
givest unto him: because that for this thing the
LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy work,
and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto.
11 For the poor shall never cease out of the land:
therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt
surely open thine hand unto thy brother, to thy
needy, and to thy poor, in thy land.
- 12 If thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew
woman, be sold unto thee, and serve thee six
years; then in the seventh year thou shalt let
13 him go free from thee. And when thou lettest
him go free from thee, thou shalt not let him go
14 empty: thou shalt furnish him liberally out of
thy flock, and out of thy threshing-floor, and out

of thy winepress: as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee thou shalt give unto him. And ¹⁵ thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to-day. And it shall be, if he say unto ¹⁶ thee, I will not go out from thee; because he loveth thee and thine house, because he is well with thee; then thou shalt take an awl, and ¹⁷ thrust it through his ear unto the door, and he shall be thy ¹servant for ever. And also unto ¹⁸ thy ²maidservant thou shalt do likewise. It shall not seem hard unto thee, when thou lettest him go free from thee; for to the double of the hire of an hireling hath he served thee six years: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all that thou doest.

¹ Or, *bondman*

² Or, *bond-
woman*

All the firstling males that are born of thy ¹⁹ herd and of thy flock thou shalt sanctify unto the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work with the firstling of thine ox, nor shear the firstling of thy flock. Thou shalt eat it before the LORD thy ²⁰ God year by year in the place which the LORD shall choose, thou and thy household. And if ²¹ it have any blemish, *as if it be* lame or blind, any ill blemish whatsoever, thou shalt not sacrifice it unto the LORD thy God. Thou shalt eat ²² it within thy gates: the unclean and the clean *shall eat it* alike, as the gazelle, and as the hart. Only thou shalt not eat the blood there- ²³ of; thou shalt pour it out upon the ground as water.

Observe the month of Abib, and keep the ¹ **16** passover unto the LORD thy God: for in the month of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night. And thou shalt ² sacrifice the passover unto the LORD thy God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which the

- LORD shall choose to cause his name to dwell
3 there. Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with
it; seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread
therewith, even the bread of affliction; for thou
camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haste:
that thou mayest remember the day when thou
camest forth out of the land of Egypt all the
4 days of thy life. And there shall be no leaven
seen with thee in all thy borders seven days;
neither shall any of the flesh, which thou sacrificest
the first day at even, remain all night until
5 the morning. Thou mayest not sacrifice the
passover within any of thy gates, which the LORD
6 thy God giveth thee: but at the place which the
LORD thy God shall choose to cause his name
to dwell in, there thou shalt sacrifice the passover
at even, at the going down of the sun, at the
season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.
7 And thou shalt ¹roast and eat it in the place ¹Or, *seethe*
which the LORD thy God shall choose: and thou
shalt turn in the morning, and go unto thy tents.
8 Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread: and
on the seventh day shall be ²a solemn assembly ²See Lev.
to the LORD thy God; thou shalt do no work ^{xxiii. 36.}
therein.
9 Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee:
from the time thou beginnest to put the sickle
to the standing corn shalt thou begin to number
10 seven weeks. And thou shalt keep the feast of
weeks unto the LORD thy God ³with a tribute ³Or, *after the*
of a freewill offering of thine hand, which thou ^{measure of the}
shalt give, according as the LORD thy God ^{&c.}
11 blesseth thee: and thou shalt rejoice before
the LORD thy God, thou, and thy son, and thy
daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maid-
servant, and the Levite that is within thy gates,
and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the
widow, that are in the midst of thee, in the

place which the LORD thy God shall choose to cause his name to dwell there. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt observe and do these statutes.

¹ Heb. *booths*.

Thou shalt keep the feast of ¹tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered in from thy threshing-floor and from thy winepress: and thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are within thy gates. Seven days shalt thou keep a feast unto the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD shall choose: because the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the work of thine hands, and thou shalt be altogether joyful. Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty: every man ²shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee.

² Heb. *according to the gift of his hand*.

Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, according to thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with righteous judgement. Thou shalt not wrest judgement; thou shalt not respect persons: neither shalt thou take a gift; for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the ³words of the righteous. ⁴That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou mayest live, and inherit the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

³ Or, *cause*

⁴ Heb. *Justice, justice*.

Thou shalt not plant thee an Asherah of any

kind of tree beside the altar of the LORD thy
22 God, which thou shalt make thee. Neither
shalt thou set thee up a ¹pillar ; which the LORD ¹ Or, *obelisk*
thy God hateth.

17 ¹ Thou shalt not sacrifice unto the LORD thy
God an ox, or a sheep, wherein is a blemish, *or*
any evilfavouredness: for that is an abomination
unto the LORD thy God.

² If there be found in the midst of thee, within
any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth
thee, man or woman, that doeth that which is
evil in the sight of the LORD thy God, in trans-
3 gressing his covenant, and hath gone and served
other gods, and worshipped them, or the sun, or
the moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I
4 have not commanded ; and it be told thee, and
thou hast heard of it, then shalt thou inquire
diligently, and, behold, if it be true, and the
thing certain, that such abomination is wrought
5 in Israel; then shalt thou bring forth that man
or that woman, which have done this evil thing,
unto thy gates, even the man or the woman;
and thou shalt stone them with stones, that they
6 die. At the mouth of two witnesses, or three
witnesses, shall he that is to die be put to death;
at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put
7 to death. The hand of the witnesses shall be
first upon him to put him to death, and after-
ward the hand of all the people. So thou shalt
put away the evil from the midst of thee.

8 If there arise a matter too hard for thee in
judgement, between blood and blood, between
plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke,
being matters of controversy within thy gates:
then shalt thou arise, and get thee up unto the
place which the LORD thy God shall choose;
9 and thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites,
and unto the judge that shall be in those days:

and thou shalt inquire; and they shall shew thee the sentence of judgement: and thou shalt do according to the tenor of the sentence, which they shall shew thee from that place which the LORD shall choose; and thou shalt observe to do according to all that they shall teach thee: according to the tenor of the law which they shall teach thee, and according to the judgement which they shall tell thee, thou shalt do: thou shalt not turn aside from the sentence which they shall shew thee, to the right hand, nor to the left. And the man that doeth presumptuously, in not hearkening unto the priest that standeth to minister there before the LORD thy God, or unto the judge, even that man shall die: and thou shalt put away the evil from Israel. And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously.

When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein; and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that are round about me; thou shalt in any wise set him king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: one from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not put a foreigner over thee, which is not thy brother. Only he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way. Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold. And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book, out of *that which is* before the priests the Levites:

19 and it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words
20 of this law and these statutes, to do them: that his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, to the right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his children, in the midst of Israel.

18 1 The priests the Levites, ¹*even* all the tribe of Levi, shall have no portion nor inheritance with Israel: they shall eat the offerings of the LORD
2 made by fire, and his inheritance. And they shall have no inheritance among their brethren: the LORD is their inheritance, as he hath spoken unto
3 them. And this shall be the priests' due from the people, from them that offer a sacrifice, whether it be ox or sheep, that they shall give unto the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks, and the
4 maw. The firstfruits of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the first of the fleece of thy
5 sheep, shalt thou give him. For the LORD thy God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to stand to minister in the name of the LORD, him and his sons for ever.

6 And if a Levite come from any of thy gates out of all Israel, where he sojourneth, and come with all the desire of his soul unto the place
7 which the LORD shall choose; then he shall minister in the name of the LORD his God, as all his brethren the Levites do, which stand there
8 before the LORD. They shall have like portions to eat, beside that which cometh of the sale of his patrimony.

9 When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations.
10 There shall not be found with thee any one

that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, one that useth divination, one that practiseth augury, or an enchanter, or a sorcerer, or a charmer, or a consulter with a familiar spirit, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For whosoever doeth these things is an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearken unto them that practise augury, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do. The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken; according to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not. And the LORD said unto me, They have well said that which they have spoken. I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee; and I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him. But the prophet, which shall speak a word presumptuously in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die. And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor

come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD hath not spoken: the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously, thou shalt not be afraid of him.

- 19 ¹ When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations, whose land the LORD thy God giveth thee, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest ² in their cities, and in their houses; thou shalt separate three cities for thee in the midst of thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee to ³ possess it. Thou shalt prepare thee the way, and divide the borders of thy land, which the LORD thy God causeth thee to inherit, into three parts, that every manslayer may flee ⁴ thither. And this is the case of the manslayer, which shall flee thither and live: whoso killeth his neighbour unawares, and hated him not ⁵ in time past; as when a man goeth into the forest with his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut down the tree, and the ¹head slippeth from ²the helve, and lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die; he shall flee unto one of these cities and live: ⁶ lest the avenger of blood pursue the manslayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long, and smite him mortally; whereas he was not worthy of death, inasmuch ⁷ as he hated him not in time past. Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt separate ⁸ three cities for thee. And if the LORD thy God enlarge thy border, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, and give thee all the land which ⁹ he promised to give unto thy fathers; if thou shalt keep all this commandment to do it, which I command thee this day, to love the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways; then shalt thou add three cities more for thee, beside these ¹⁰ three: that ³innocent blood be not shed in the

¹ Heb. iron.² Or, the tree³ Or, the blood of an innocent man

midst of thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and so blood be upon thee. But if any man hate his neighbour, 11 and lie in wait for him, and rise up against him, and smite him mortally that he die; and he flee into one of these cities: then the elders of his 12 city shall send and fetch him thence, and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die. Thine eye shall not pity him, 13 but thou shalt put away ¹the innocent blood from Israel, that it may go well with thee.

¹ Or, *the blood of the innocent*

Thou shalt not remove thy neighbour's land- 14 mark, which they of old time have set, in thine inheritance which thou shalt inherit, in the land that the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.

One witness shall not rise up against a man 15 for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall a matter be established. If an unrighteous wit- 16 ness rise up against any man to testify against him of ²wrong doing; then both the men, 17 between whom the controversy is, shall stand before the LORD, before the priests and the judges which shall be in those days; and the 18 judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, if the witness be a false witness, and hath testified falsely against his brother; then shall 19 ye do unto him, as he had thought to do unto his brother: so shalt thou put away the evil from the midst of thee. And those which re- 20 main shall hear, and fear, and shall henceforth commit no more any such evil in the midst of thee. And thine eye shall not pity; life *shall* 21 *go* for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

² Or, *rebellion*
See ch. xiii. 5.

When thou goest forth to battle against thine 1 20 enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, *and*

a people more than thou, thou shalt not be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God is with thee, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And it shall be, when ye draw nigh unto the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak unto the people, and shall say unto them, Hear, O Israel, ye draw nigh this day unto battle against your enemies: let not your heart faint; fear not, nor tremble, neither be ye affrighted at them; for the LORD your God is he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you. And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, What man is there that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man dedicate it. And what man is there that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not ¹used the fruit thereof? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man use the fruit thereof. And what man is there that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man take her. And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say, What man is there that is fearful and faint-hearted? let him go and return unto his house, lest his brethren's heart melt as his heart. And it shall be, when the officers have made an end of speaking unto the people, that they shall appoint captains of hosts at the head of the people.

When thou drawest nigh unto a city to fight against it, then proclaim peace unto it. And it shall be, if it make thee answer of peace, and open unto thee, then it shall be, that all the people that is found therein shall become ²tributary unto thee, and shall serve thee. And

¹ See ch. xxviii. 30, and Lev. xix. 23--25.

² Or, *subject to taskwork*

if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war against thee, then thou shalt besiege it: and when the LORD thy God delivereth ¹³ it into thine hand, thou shalt smite every male thereof with the edge of the sword: but ¹⁴ the women, and the little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city, even all the spoil thereof, shalt thou take for a prey unto thyself; and thou shalt eat the spoil of thine enemies, which the LORD thy God hath given thee. Thus shalt thou do unto all the cities which ¹⁵ are very far off from thee, which are not of the cities of these nations. But of the cities ¹⁶ of these peoples, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth: but thou shalt ¹⁷ ¹utterly destroy them; the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee: that they teach you ¹⁸ not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto their gods; so should ye sin against the LORD your God.

¹ Heb. *devote*.

When thou shalt besiege a city a long time, ¹⁹ in making war against it to take it, thou shalt not destroy the trees thereof by wielding an axe against them; for thou mayest eat of them, and thou shalt not cut them down; for is the tree of the field man, that it should be besieged of thee? Only the trees which thou knowest ²⁰ that they be not trees for meat, thou shalt destroy and cut them down; and thou shalt build bulwarks against the city that maketh war with thee, until it fall.

If one be found slain in the land which the ¹ **21** LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it, lying in the field, and it be not known who hath smitten him: then thy elders and thy judges shall come ²

- forth, and they shall measure unto the cities which
3 are round about him that is slain: and it shall
be, that the city which is nearest unto the slain
man, even the elders of that city shall take an
heifer of the herd, which hath not been wrought
with, and which hath not drawn in the yoke;
4 and the elders of that city shall bring down the
heifer unto a valley with running water, which
is neither plowed nor sown, and shall break
5 the heifer's neck there in the valley: and
the priests the sons of Levi shall come near;
for them the LORD thy God hath chosen to
minister unto him, and to bless in the name of the
LORD; and according to their word shall every
6 controversy and every stroke be: and all the
elders of that city, who are nearest unto the
slain man, shall wash their hands over the
heifer whose neck was broken in the valley:
7 and they shall answer and say, Our hands have
not shed this blood, neither have our eyes
8 seen it. Forgive, O LORD, thy people Israel,
whom thou hast redeemed, and suffer not in-
nocent blood *to remain* in the midst of thy
people Israel. And the blood shall be forgiven
9 them. So shalt thou put away the innocent
blood from the midst of thee, when thou shalt
do that which is right in the eyes of the
LORD.
- 10 When thou goest forth to battle against thine
enemies, and the LORD thy God delivereth
them into thine hands, and thou carriest them
11 away captive, and seest among the captives a
beautiful woman, and thou hast a desire unto
her, and wouldest take her to thee to wife;
12 then thou shalt bring her home to thine house;
and she shall shave her head, and pare her
13 nails; and she shall put the raiment of her
captivity from off her, and shall remain in thine

house, and bewail her father and her mother a full month: and after that thou shalt go in unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife. And it shall be, if thou have no delight in ¹⁴ her, then thou shalt let her go whither she will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, thou shalt not deal with her ¹as a slave, because thou hast humbled her.

¹ Or, as a chattel

If a man have two wives, the one beloved, ¹⁵ and the other hated, and they have borne him children, both the beloved and the hated; and if the firstborn son be hers that was hated; then it shall be, in the day that he causeth ¹⁶ his sons to inherit that which he hath, that he may not make the son of the beloved the firstborn ²before the son of the hated, which is the firstborn: but he shall acknowledge the first- ¹⁷ born, the son of the hated, by giving him a double portion of all that he hath: for he is the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn is his.

² Or, during the life time of

If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, ¹⁸ which will not obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and though they chasten him, will not hearken unto them: then ¹⁹ shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the elders of his city, and unto the gate of his place; and ²⁰ they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a riotous liver, and a drunkard. And all the men of his city shall ²¹ stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put away the evil from the midst of thee; and all Israel shall hear, and fear.

And if a man have committed a sin worthy ²² of death, and he be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree; his body shall not remain all ²³

night upon the tree, but thou shalt surely bury him the same day; for he that is hanged is ¹accursed of God; that thou defile not thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance. ¹ Heb. *the curse of God.*

- 22 ¹ Thou shalt not see thy brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt surely bring them again unto thy brother. And if thy brother be not nigh unto thee, or if thou know him not, then thou shalt bring it home to thine house, and it shall be with thee until thy brother seek after it, and ² thou shalt restore it to him again. And so shalt thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do with his garment; and so shalt thou do with every lost thing of thy brother's, which he hath lost, and thou hast found: thou mayest not hide thyself.
- ⁴ Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his ox fallen down by the way, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt surely help him to lift them up again.
- ⁵ A woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for whosoever doeth these things is an abomination unto the LORD thy God.
- ⁶ If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in the way, in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs, and the dam sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs, thou shalt not ⁷ take the dam with the young: thou shalt in any wise let the dam go, but the young thou mayest take unto thyself; that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days.
- ⁸ When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that thou

bring not blood upon thine house, if any man fall from thence. Thou shalt not sow thy vine-⁹ yard with two kinds of seed: lest the ¹whole fruit be ²forfeited, the seed which thou hast sown, and the increase of the vineyard.

¹ Heb. *fulness*.

² Heb. *consecrated*.

Thou shalt not plow with an ox and an ass ¹⁰ together. Thou shalt not wear a mingled stuff, ¹¹ wool and linen together.

³ Or, *twisted threads*

Thou shalt make thee ³fringes upon the four ¹² borders of thy vesture, wherewith thou coverest thyself.

If any man take a wife, and go in unto her, ¹³ and hate her, and lay shameful things to her ¹⁴ charge, and bring up an evil name upon her, and say, I took this woman, and when I came nigh to her, I found not in her the tokens of virginity: then shall the father of the damsel, ¹⁵ and her mother, take and bring forth the tokens of the damsel's virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate: and the damsel's father shall ¹⁶ say unto the elders, I gave my daughter unto this man to wife, and he hateth her; and, lo, ¹⁷ he hath laid shameful things *to her charge*, saying, I found not in thy daughter the tokens of virginity; and yet these are the tokens of my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the garment before the elders of the city. And the ¹⁸ elders of that city shall take the man and chastise him; and they shall amerce him in ¹⁹ an hundred *shekels* of silver, and give them unto the father of the damsel, because he hath brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days. But if this thing be true, ²⁰ that the tokens of virginity were not found in the damsel: then they shall bring out the damsel ²¹ to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone her with stones that she

die: because she hath wrought folly in Israel, to play the harlot in her father's house: so shalt thou put away the evil from the midst of thee.

22 If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then they shall both of them die, the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou put away the evil from Israel.

23 If there be a damsel that is a virgin betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the city,
24 and lie with her; then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt put away the evil from the midst of thee.

25 But if the man find the damsel that is betrothed in the field, and the man force her, and lie with her; then the man only that lay with
26 her shall die: but unto the damsel thou shalt do nothing; there is in the damsel no sin worthy of death: for as when a man riseth against his neighbour, and slayeth him, even so is this
27 matter: for he found her in the field; the betrothed damsel cried, and there was none to save her.

28 If a man find a damsel that is a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie
29 with her, and they be found; then the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty *shekels* of silver, and she shall be his wife, because he hath humbled her; he may not put her away all his days.

30 A man shall not take his father's wife, and shall not uncover his father's skirt. [Ch. xxiii. 1 in Heb.]

23 1 He that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut off, shall not enter into the assembly of the LORD.

A bastard shall not enter into the assembly ² of the LORD; even to the tenth generation shall none of his enter into the assembly of the LORD.

¹ Heb. *Aram-naharaim*.

An Ammonite or a Moabite shall not enter ³ into the assembly of the LORD; even to the tenth generation shall none belonging to them enter into the assembly of the LORD for ever: because they met you not with bread and with ⁴ water in the way, when ye came forth out of Egypt; and because they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor from Pethor of ¹Mesopotamia, to curse thee. Nevertheless the LORD ⁵ thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because the LORD thy God loved thee. Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their ⁶ prosperity all thy days for ever.

Thou shalt not abhor an Edomite; for he is ⁷ thy brother: thou shalt not abhor an Egyptian; because thou wast a stranger in his land. The ⁸ children of the third generation that are born unto them shall enter into the assembly of the LORD.

When thou goest forth in camp against thine ⁹ enemies, then thou shalt keep thee from every evil thing. If there be among you any man, ¹⁰ that is not clean by reason of that which chanceth him by night, then shall he go abroad out of the camp, he shall not come within the camp: but it shall be, when evening cometh ¹¹ on, he shall bathe himself in water: and when the sun is down, he shall come within the camp. Thou shalt have a place also without the camp, ¹² whither thou shalt go forth abroad: and thou ¹³ shalt have a ²paddle among thy weapons; and it shall be, when thou sittest down abroad, thou shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and

² Or, *shovel*

- ¹⁴ cover that which cometh from thee: for the LORD thy God walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee; therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he see no ¹unclean thing in thee, and turn away from thee. ¹ Heb. *nakedness of any thing.*
- ¹⁵ Thou shalt not deliver unto his master a servant which is escaped from his master unto
- ¹⁶ thee: he shall dwell with thee, in the midst of thee, in the place which he shall choose within one of thy gates, where it liketh him best: thou shalt not oppress him.
- ¹⁷ There shall be no ²harlot of the daughters of Israel, neither shall there be a ³sodomite of
- ¹⁸ the sons of Israel. Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the wages of a dog, into the house of the LORD thy God for any vow: for even both these are an abomination unto the LORD thy God. ² Heb. *kedeshah.* See Gen. xxxviii. 21. ³ Heb. *kadesh.*
- ¹⁹ Thou shalt not lend upon usury to thy brother; usury of money, usury of victuals,
- ²⁰ usury of any thing that is lent upon usury: unto a foreigner thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou shalt not lend upon usury: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all that thou puttest thine hand unto, in the land whither thou goest in to possess it.
- ²¹ When thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God, thou shalt not be slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee;
- ²² and it would be sin in thee. But if thou shalt
- ²³ forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee. That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt observe and do; according as thou hast vowed unto the LORD thy God, a freewill offering, which thou hast promised with thy mouth.
- ²⁴ When thou comest into thy neighbour's vineyard, then thou mayest eat grapes thy fill at

thine own pleasure ; but thou shalt not put any in thy vessel.

When thou comest into thy neighbour's standing corn, then thou mayest pluck the ears with thine hand ; but thou shalt not move a sickle unto thy neighbour's standing corn. 25

When a man taketh a wife, and marrieth her, 1 **24** then it shall be, if she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some unseemly thing in her, that he shall write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house. And when she is departed out of his 2 house, she may go and be another man's *wife*. And if the latter husband hate her, and write her 3 a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house ; or if the latter husband die, which took her to be his wife ; her 4 former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled ; for that is abomination before the LORD : and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

When a man taketh a new wife, he shall not 5 go out in the host, neither shall he be charged with any business : he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer his wife which he hath taken. No man shall take the mill or the upper 6 millstone to pledge : for he taketh *a man's* life to pledge.

If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and he deal with him ¹as a slave, or sell him ; then that thief shall die : so shalt thou put away the evil from the midst of thee. 7

Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou 8 observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you : as I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do.

¹ Or, *as a chattel*

- 9 Remember what the LORD thy God did unto Miriam, by the way as ye came forth out of Egypt.
- 10 When thou dost lend thy neighbour any manner of loan, thou shalt not go into his
- 11 house to fetch his pledge. Thou shalt stand without, and the man to whom thou dost lend shall bring forth the pledge without unto thee.
- 12 And if he be a poor man, thou shalt not
- 13 sleep with his pledge: thou shalt surely restore to him the pledge when the sun goeth down, that he may sleep in his garment, and bless thee: and it shall be righteousness unto thee before the LORD thy God.
- 14 Thou shalt not oppress an hired servant that is poor and needy, whether he be of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that are in thy
- 15 land within thy gates: in his day thou shalt give him his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he is poor, and setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee.
- 16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.
- 17 Thou shalt not wrest the judgement of the stranger, *nor* of the fatherless; nor take the
- 18 widow's raiment to pledge: but thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing.
- 19 When thou reapest thine harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands.

When thou beatest thine olive tree, thou shalt not go over the boughs again: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow. When thou gatherest *the grapes* of thy vineyard, thou shalt not glean it after thee: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgement, and *the judges* judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked; and it shall be, if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his wickedness, by number. Forty stripes he may give him, he shall not exceed: lest, if he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem vile unto thee.

Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out *the corn*.

If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no son, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her. And it shall be, that the firstborn which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his brother which is dead, that his name be not blotted out of Israel. And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then his brother's wife shall go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty

8 of an husband's brother unto me. Then the
elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto
him: and if he stand, and say, I like not to take
9 her; then shall his brother's wife come unto
him in the presence of the elders, and loose his
shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face; and
she shall answer and say, So shall it be done
unto the man that doth not build up his bro-
10 ther's house. And his name shall be called
in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe
loosed.

11 When men strive together one with another,
and the wife of the one draweth near for
to deliver her husband out of the hand of him
that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand,
12 and taketh him by the secrets: then thou
shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall have no
pity.

13 Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers
14 weights, a great and a small. Thou shalt
not have in thine house divers measures, a
15 great and a small. A perfect and just weight
shalt thou have; a perfect and just measure
shalt thou have: that thy days may be long
upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth
16 thee. For all that do such things, *even* all that
do unrighteously, are an abomination unto the
LORD thy God.

17 Remember what Amalek did unto thee by
the way as ye came forth out of Egypt;
18 how he met thee by the way, and smote the
hindmost of thee, all that were feeble behind
thee, when thou wast faint and weary; and he
19 feared not God. Therefore it shall be, when
the LORD thy God hath given thee rest from all
thine enemies round about, in the land which
the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheri-
tance to possess it, that thou shalt blot out the

remembrance of Amalek from under heaven ; thou shalt not forget.

And it shall be, when thou art come in unto **1 26**
the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee
for an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwell-
est therein ; that thou shalt take of the first **2**
of all the fruit of the ground, which thou shalt
bring in from thy land that the LORD thy God
giveth thee ; and thou shalt put it in a basket,
and shalt go unto the place which the LORD
thy God shall choose to cause his name to
dwell there. And thou shalt come unto the **3**
priest that shall be in those days, and say unto
him, I profess this day unto the LORD thy
God, that I am come unto the land which the
LORD sware unto our fathers for to give us.
And the priest shall take the basket out of **4**
thine hand, and set it down before the altar of
the LORD thy God. And thou shalt answer **5**
and say before the LORD thy God, A ¹Syrian
²ready to perish was my father, and he went
down into Egypt, and sojourned there, few
in number ; and he became there a nation,
great, mighty, and populous : and the Egyptians **6**
evil entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon
us hard bondage : and we cried unto the **7**
LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD
heard our voice, and saw our affliction, and
our toil, and our oppression : and the LORD **8**
brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty
hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with
great terribleness, and with signs, and with
wonders : and he hath brought us into this **9**
place, and hath given us this land, a land flow-
ing with milk and honey. And now, behold, **10**
I have brought the first of the fruit of the
ground, which thou, O LORD, hast given me.
And thou shalt set it down before the LORD thy

¹ Heb.
Aramean.

² Or,
wandering
Or, lost

- God, and worship before the LORD thy God :
- 11 and thou shalt rejoice in all the good which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is in the midst of thee.
- 12 When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithe of thine increase in the third year, which is the year of tithing, then thou shalt give it unto the Levite, to the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, that they may eat within
- 13 thy gates, and be filled ; and thou shalt say before the LORD thy God, I have put away the hallowed things out of mine house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all thy commandment which thou hast commanded me: I have not transgressed any of thy commandments, neither have I forgotten them: I have not eaten thereof in
- 14 my mourning, neither have I put away thereof, being unclean, nor given thereof for the dead: I have hearkened to the voice of the LORD my God, I have done according to all
- 15 that thou hast commanded me. Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and the ground which thou hast given us, as thou swarest unto our fathers, a land flowing with milk and honey.
- 16 This day the LORD thy God commandeth thee to do these statutes and judgements: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine
- 17 heart, and with all thy soul. Thou hast avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and that thou shouldest walk in his ways, and keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgements, and hearken unto his voice:
- 18 and the LORD hath avouched thee this day to be a peculiar people unto himself, as he hath

¹ Or, *for a
praise, and for
a name, and
for an honour*

promised thee, and that thou shouldest keep all his commandments; and to make thee high ¹⁹ above all nations which he hath made, ¹in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the LORD thy God, as he hath spoken.

And Moses and the elders of Israel com- ¹ **27**
manded the people, saying, Keep all the com-
mandment which I command you this day.
And it shall be on the day when ye shall pass ²
over Jordan unto the land which the LORD thy
God giveth thee, that thou shalt set thee up
great stones, and plaister them with plaister:
and thou shalt write upon them all the words ³
of this law, when thou art passed over; that thou
mayest go in unto the land which the LORD thy
God giveth thee, a land flowing with milk and
honey, as the LORD, the God of thy fathers,
hath promised thee. And it shall be when ye ⁴
are passed over Jordan, that ye shall set up these
stones, which I command you this day, in mount
Ebal, and thou shalt plaister them with plaister.
And there shalt thou build an altar unto the ⁵
LORD thy God, an altar of stones: thou shalt
lift up no iron *tool* upon them. Thou shalt ⁶
² Heb. *whole*. build the altar of the LORD thy God of ²unhewn
stones: and thou shalt offer burnt offerings
thereon unto the LORD thy God: and thou shalt ⁷
sacrifice peace offerings, and shalt eat there;
and thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God.
And thou shalt write upon the stones all the ⁸
words of this law very plainly.

And Moses and the priests the Levites spake ⁹
unto all Israel, saying, Keep silence, and hearken,
O Israel; this day thou art become the people
of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt therefore ¹⁰
obey the voice of the LORD thy God, and do his

commandments and his statutes, which I command thee this day.

- 11 And Moses charged the people the same day,
12 saying, These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye are passed over Jordan; Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and
13 Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin: and these shall stand upon mount Ebal for the curse; Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan,
14 and Naphtali. And the Levites shall answer, and say unto all the men of Israel with a loud voice,
15 Cursed be the man that maketh a graven or molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and setteth it up in secret. And all the people shall answer and say, Amen.
16 Cursed be he that setteth light by his father or his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.
17 Cursed be he that removeth his neighbour's landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen.
18 Cursed be he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way. And all the people shall say, Amen.
19 Cursed be he that wresteth the judgement of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen.
20 Cursed be he that lieth with his father's wife; because he hath uncovered his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen.
21 Cursed be he that lieth with any manner of beast. And all the people shall say, Amen.
22 Cursed be he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.
23 Cursed be he that lieth with his mother in law. And all the people shall say, Amen.

Cursed be he that smiteth his neighbour in 24
secret. And all the people shall say, Amen.

Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an 25
innocent person. And all the people shall say,
Amen.

Cursed be he that confirmeth not the words 26
of this law to do them. And all the people shall
say, Amen.

And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken 1 **28**
diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God,
to observe to do all his commandments which I
command thee this day, that the LORD thy God
will set thee on high above all the nations of the
earth: and all these blessings shall come upon 2
thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken
unto the voice of the LORD thy God. Blessed 3
shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou
be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy 4
body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit
of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the
young of thy flock. Blessed shall be thy basket 5
and thy kneadingtrough. Blessed shalt thou 6
be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou
be when thou goest out. The LORD shall cause 7
thine enemies that rise up against thee to be
smitten before thee: they shall come out against
thee one way, and shall flee before thee seven
ways. The LORD shall command the blessing 8
upon thee in thy barns, and in all that thou
puttest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee
in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
The LORD shall establish thee for an holy people 9
unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee; if
thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD
thy God, and walk in his ways. And all the 10
peoples of the earth shall see that thou art called
by the name of the LORD; and they shall be
afraid of thee. And the LORD shall make thee 11

- plenteous for good, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD swore unto
12 thy fathers to give thee. The LORD shall open unto thee his good ¹treasure the heaven to give ¹ Or, *treasury* the rain of thy land in its season, and to bless all the work of thine hand : and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.
- 13 And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail ; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath ; if thou shalt hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and
14 to do *them* ; and shalt not turn aside from any of the words which I command you this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.
- 15 But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day ; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and over-
16 take thee. Cursed shalt thou be in the city, and
17 cursed shalt thou be in the field. Cursed shall
18 be thy basket and thy kneadingtrough. Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, the increase of thy kine, and the young
19 of thy flock. Cursed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and cursed shalt thou be when thou
20 goest out. The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, discomfiture, and rebuke, in all that thou puttest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly ; because of the evil of thy doings, whereby thou hast for-
21 saken me. The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest in to
22 possess it. The LORD shall smite thee with

¹ Or, according to some ancient versions, *drought*

² Or, *a terror unto*

³ Or, *tumours*
Or, *plague*
boils

⁴ See ch. xx. 6, and Lev. xix. 23—25.

consumption, and with fever, and with inflammation, and with fiery heat, and with ¹the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee until thou perish. And thy heaven ²³ that is over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that is under thee shall be iron. The ²⁴ LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed. The LORD shall ²⁵ cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and shalt flee seven ways before them: and thou shalt be ²⁶ tossed to and fro among all the kingdoms of the earth. And thy carcase shall ²⁶ be meat unto all fowls of the air, and unto the beasts of the earth, and there shall be none to fray them away. The LORD shall smite thee ²⁷ with the boil of Egypt, and with the ³emerods, and with the scurvy, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not be healed. The LORD shall ²⁸ smite thee with madness, and with blindness, and with astonishment of heart: and thou shalt ²⁹ grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled alway, and there shall be none to save thee. Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man ³⁰ shall lie with her: thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not ⁴use the fruit thereof. Thine ox shall be slain before thine ³¹ eyes, and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass shall be violently taken away from before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep shall be given unto thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to save thee. Thy sons and thy ³² daughters shall be given unto another people, and thine eyes shall look, and fail with longing

for them all the day : and there shall be nought
33 in the power of thine hand. The fruit of thy
ground, and all thy labours, shall a nation which
thou knowest not eat up ; and thou shalt be only
34 oppressed and crushed alway : so that thou shalt
be mad for the sight of thine eyes which thou
35 shalt see. The LORD shall smite thee in the
knees, and in the legs, with a sore boil, whereof
thou canst not be healed, from the sole of thy
36 foot unto the crown of thy head. The LORD
shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt
set over thee, unto a nation which thou hast not
known, thou nor thy fathers ; and there shalt
37 thou serve other gods, wood and stone. And
thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb,
and a byword, among all the peoples whither
38 the LORD shall lead thee away. Thou shalt
carry much seed out into the field, and shalt
gather little in ; for the locust shall consume it.
39 Thou shalt plant vineyards and dress them, but
thou shalt neither drink of the wine, nor gather
40 *the grapes* ; for the worm shall eat them. Thou
shalt have olive trees throughout all thy borders,
but thou shalt not anoint thyself with the oil ;
41 for thine olive shall cast *its fruit*. Thou shalt
beget sons and daughters, but they shall not be
42 thine ; for they shall go into captivity. All thy
trees and the fruit of thy ground shall the locust
43 possess. The stranger that is in the midst of
thee shall mount up above thee higher and
higher ; and thou shalt come down lower and
44 lower. He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt
not lend to him : he shall be the head, and thou
45 shalt be the tail. And all these curses shall
come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and
overtake thee, till thou be destroyed ; because
thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD
thy God, to keep his commandments and his

statutes which he commanded thee: and they 46
shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder,
and upon thy seed for ever: because thou 47
servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness,
and with gladness of heart, by reason of the
abundance of all things: therefore shalt thou 48
serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send
against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in
nakedness, and in want of all things: and he
shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he
have destroyed thee. The LORD shall bring a 49
nation against thee from far, from the end of
the earth, as the eagle flieth; a nation whose
tongue thou shalt not understand; a nation of 50
fierce countenance, which shall not regard the
person of the old, nor shew favour to the young:
and he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the 51
fruit of thy ground, until thou be destroyed:
which also shall not leave thee corn, wine, or oil,
the increase of thy kine, or the young of thy
flock, until he have caused thee to perish. And 52
he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy
high and fenced walls come down, wherein thou
trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall
besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy
land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.
And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, 53
the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters which
the LORD thy God hath given thee; in the siege
and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies
shall straiten thee. The man that is tender 54
among you, and very delicate, his eye shall be
evil toward his brother, and toward the wife
of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his
children which he hath remaining: so that he 55
will not give to any of them of the flesh of his
children whom he shall eat, because he hath
nothing left him; in the siege and in the strait-

ness, wherewith thine enemy shall straiten thee
56 in all thy gates. The tender and delicate woman
among you, which would not adventure to set
the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicate-
ness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward
the husband of her bosom, and toward her son,
57 and toward her daughter; and toward her ^{1 Or, after-}young _{birth}
one that cometh out from between her feet, and
toward her children which she shall bear; for
she shall eat them for want of all things secretly:
in the siege and in the straitness, wherewith
58 thine enemy shall straiten thee in thy gates. If
thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this
law that are written in this book, that thou
mayest fear this glorious and fearful name,
59 THE LORD THY GOD; then the LORD will make
thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of
thy seed, even great plagues, and of long con-
tinuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long con-
60 tinuance. And he will bring upon thee again
all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid
61 of; and they shall cleave unto thee. Also every
sickness, and every plague, which is not written
in the book of this law, them will the LORD
62 bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed. And
ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were
as the stars of heaven for multitude; because
thou didst not hearken unto the voice of the
63 LORD thy God. And it shall come to pass, that
as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good,
and to multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice
over you to cause you to perish, and to destroy
you; and ye shall be plucked from off the land
64 whither thou goest in to possess it. And the
LORD shall scatter thee among all peoples, from
the one end of the earth even unto the other
end of the earth; and there thou shalt serve
other gods, which thou hast not known, thou

nor thy fathers, even wood and stone. And 65
among these nations shalt thou find no ease,
and there shall be no rest for the sole of thy foot:
but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling
heart, and failing of eyes, and pining of soul:
and thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; 66
and thou shalt fear night and day, and shalt
have none assurance of thy life: in the morning 67
thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and
at even thou shalt say, Would God it were
morning! for the fear of thine heart which thou
shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which
thou shalt see. And the LORD shall bring thee 68
into Egypt again with ships, by the way where-
of I said unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more
again: and there ye shall sell yourselves unto
your enemies for bondmen and for bondwomen,
and no man shall buy you.

[Ch. xxviii. 69
in Heb.]

These are the words of the covenant which 1 **29**
the LORD commanded Moses to make with the
children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the
covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

[Ch. xxix. 1
in Heb.]

And Moses called unto all Israel, and said 2
unto them, Ye have seen all that the LORD did
before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto
Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all
his land; the great temptations which thine 3
eyes saw, the signs, and those great wonders:
but the LORD hath not given you an heart to 4
know, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto
this day. And I have led you forty years in 5
the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old
upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon
thy foot. Ye have not eaten bread, neither 6
have ye drunk wine or strong drink: that ye
might know that I am the LORD your God.
And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the 7
king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan,

¹ See ch. iv.
34.

- came out against us unto battle, and we smote
 8 them: and we took their land, and gave it for
 an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the
 Gadites, and to the half tribe of the Manassites.
 9 Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and
 do them, that ye may ¹prosper in all that ye do. ¹ Or, *deal*
 10 Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD *wisely*
 your God; your heads, your tribes, your elders,
 and your officers, even all the men of Israel,
 11 your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger
 that is in the midst of thy camps, from the
 hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy
 12 water: that thou shouldest enter into the coven-
 ant of the LORD thy God, and into his oath,
 which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this
 13 day: that he may establish thee this day unto
 himself for a people, and that he may be unto
 thee a God, as he spake unto thee, and as he
 sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac,
 14 and to Jacob. Neither with you only do I
 15 make this covenant and this oath; but with
 him that standeth here with us this day before
 the LORD our God, and also with him that is
 16 not here with us this day: (for ye know how
 we dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we
 came through the midst of the nations through
 17 which ye passed; and ye have seen their abomin-
 ations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver
 18 and gold, which were among them:) lest there
 should be among you man, or woman, or family,
 or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day
 from the LORD our God, to go to serve the gods
 of those nations; lest there should be among
 you a root that beareth ²gall and wormwood;
 19 and it come to pass, when he heareth the words
 of this ³curse, that he bless himself in his heart,
 saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the
 stubbornness of mine heart, ⁴to destroy the moist ² Heb. *rosh*, a
 poisonous
 herb.
³ Or, *oath*
 and so vv. 20,
 21.
⁴ Or, *to add*
drunkenness
to thirst

with the dry: the LORD will not pardon him, but ²⁰
then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy
shall smoke against that man, and all the curse
that is written in this book shall lie upon him,
and the LORD shall blot out his name from
under heaven. And the LORD shall separate ²¹
him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel,
according to all the curses of the covenant that
is written in this book of the law. And the ²²
generation to come, your children that shall rise
up after you, and the foreigner that shall come
from a far land, shall say, when they see the
plagues of that land, and the sicknesses where-
with the LORD hath made it sick; *and that* the ²³
whole land thereof is brimstone, and salt, *and*
a burning, *that* it is not sown, nor beareth, nor
any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow
of Sodom and Gomorrah, Admah and Zeboiim,
which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and in
his wrath: even all the nations shall say, Where- ²⁴
fore hath the LORD done thus unto this land?
what meaneth the heat of this great anger?
Then men shall say, Because they forsook the ²⁵
covenant of the LORD, the God of their fathers,
which he made with them when he brought
them forth out of the land of Egypt; and went ²⁶
and served other gods, and worshipped them,
gods whom they knew not, and whom he had
not ¹given unto them: therefore the anger of ²⁷
the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring
upon it all the curse that is written in this book:
and the LORD rooted them out of their land in ²⁸
anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation,
and cast them into another land, as at this day.
The secret things belong unto the LORD our ²⁹
God: but the things that are revealed belong
unto us and to our children for ever, that we
may do all the words of this law.

¹ Heb.
divided.

- 30 ¹ And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call them to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee, ² and shalt return unto the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, ³ with all thine heart, and with all thy soul; that then the LORD thy God will ¹turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the peoples, whither ⁴ the LORD thy God hath scattered thee. If *any* of thine outcasts be in the uttermost parts of heaven, from thence will the LORD thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee: ⁵ and the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and ⁶ multiply thee above thy fathers. And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that ⁷ thou mayest live. And the LORD thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee. ⁸ And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the LORD, and do all his commandments which ⁹ I command thee this day. And the LORD thy God will make thee plenteous in all the work of thine hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, for good: for the LORD will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over ¹⁰ thy fathers: if thou shalt obey the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law; if thou turn unto the LORD thy
- ¹ Or, *return to*

God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.

¹ Or,
wonderful

For this commandment which I command 11
thee this day, it is not too ¹hard for thee, neither
is it far off. It is not in heaven, that thou 12
shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven,
and bring it unto us, and make us to hear it,
that we may do it? Neither is it beyond the 13
sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over
the sea for us, and bring it unto us, and make
us to hear it, that we may do it? But the word 14
is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in
thy heart, that thou mayest do it.

See, I have set before thee this day life and 15
good, and death and evil; in that I command 16
thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to
walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments
and his statutes and his judgements, that thou
mayest live and multiply, and that the LORD thy
God may bless thee in the land whither thou
goest in to possess it. But if thine heart turn 17
away, and thou wilt not hear, but shalt be
drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve
them; I denounce unto you this day, that ye 18
shall surely perish; ye shall not prolong your
days upon the land, whither thou passest over
Jordan to go in to possess it. I call heaven 19
and earth to witness against you this day, that I
have set before thee life and death, the blessing
and the curse: therefore choose life, that thou
mayest live, thou and thy seed: to love the 20
LORD thy God, to obey his voice, and to cleave
unto him: for ²he is thy life, and the length of
thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land
which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abra-
ham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

² Or, *that*

And Moses went and spake these words 1 **31**
unto all Israel. And he said unto them, I am 2

an hundred and twenty years old this day ; I can no more go out and come in : and the LORD hath said unto me, Thou shalt not go over this
3 Jordan. The LORD thy God, he will go over before thee ; he will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt possess them : *and*
Joshua, he shall go over before thee, as the
4 LORD hath spoken. And the LORD shall do unto them as he did to Sihon and to Og, the kings of the Amorites, and unto their land ;
5 whom he destroyed. And the LORD shall deliver them up before you, and ye shall do unto them according unto all the commandment
6 which I have commanded you. Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be affrighted at them : for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee ; he will not fail thee, nor
7 forsake thee. And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and of a good courage : for thou shalt go with this people into the land which the LORD hath sworn unto their fathers to give them ; and
8 thou shalt cause them to inherit it. And the LORD, he it is that doth go before thee ; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee : fear not, neither be dismayed.
9 And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and unto
10 all the elders of Israel. And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of *every* seven years, in the set time of the year of re-
11 lease, in the feast of tabernacles, when all Israel is come to appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose, thou shalt read
12 this law before all Israel in their hearing. Assemble the people, the men and the women and the little ones, and thy stranger that is

within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law; and that their children, which have not ¹³ known, may hear, and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.

And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thy ¹⁴ days approach that thou must die: call Joshua, and present yourselves in the tent of meeting, that I may give him a charge. And Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the tent of meeting. And the LORD ap- ¹⁵ peared in the Tent in a pillar of cloud: and the pillar of cloud stood ¹over the door of the Tent. And the LORD said unto Moses, Be- ¹⁶ hold, thou shalt sleep with thy fathers; and this people will rise up, and go a whoring after the strange gods of the land, whither they go to be among them, and will forsake me, and break my covenant which I have made with them. Then my anger shall be kindled ¹⁷ against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall come upon them; so that they will say in that day, Are not these evils come upon us because our God is not among us? And I will surely hide my face in that day for ¹⁸ all the evil which they shall have wrought, in that they are turned unto other gods. Now ¹⁹ therefore write ye this song for you, and teach thou it the children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel. For when ²⁰ I shall have brought them into the land which I swear unto their fathers, flowing with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and

¹ Or, by

filled themselves, and waxen fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them,
21 and despise me, and break my covenant. And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are come upon them, that this song shall testify before them as a witness; for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for I know their imagination which they go about, even now, before I have brought
22 them into the land which I swear. So Moses wrote this song the same day, and taught it
23 the children of Israel. And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land which I swear unto them: and I will be with thee.
24 And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a
25 book, until they were finished, that Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark
26 of the covenant of the LORD, saying, Take this book of the law, and put it by the side of the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, that
27 it may be there for a witness against thee. For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck: behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, ye have been rebellious against the LORD; and
28 how much more after my death? Assemble unto me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to
29 witness against them. For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt yourselves, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you; and evil will befall you in the latter days; because ye will do that which is evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands.

And Moses spake in the ears of all the assembly of Israel the words of this song, until they were finished.

Give ear, ye heavens, and I will speak ; I 32
And let the earth hear the words of my mouth :

My doctrine shall drop as the rain, 2
My speech shall distil as the dew ;
As the small rain upon the tender grass,
And as the showers upon the herb :
For I will proclaim the name of the LORD : 3
Ascribe ye greatness unto our God.
The Rock, his work is perfect ; 4
For all his ways are judgement :
A God of faithfulness and without iniquity,
Just and right is he.

¹ Or, *corrupted themselves, they &c.*

² Or, *but a blot upon them*

They have ¹dealt corruptly with him, *they* 5
are not his children, ²*it is* their blemish ;
They are a perverse and crooked generation.
Do ye thus requite the LORD, 6
O foolish people and unwise ?

³ Or, *possessed*
Or, *gotten*

Is not he thy father that hath ³bought thee ?
He hath made thee, and established thee.
Remember the days of old, 7
Consider the years of many generations :
Ask thy father, and he will shew thee ;
Thine elders, and they will tell thee.
When the Most High gave to the nations 8
their inheritance,
When he separated the children of men,
He set the bounds of the peoples
According to the number of the children of
Israel.

For the LORD's portion is his people ; 9
Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.
He found him in a desert land, 10
And in the waste howling wilderness ;
He compassed him about, he cared for him,

- He kept him as the apple of his eye:
 11 As an eagle that stirreth up her nest,
 That fluttereth over her young,
 1 He spread abroad his wings, he took them,
 He bare them on his pinions :
 12 The LORD alone did lead him,
 And there was no strange god with him.
 13 He made him ride on the high places of the
 earth,
 And he did eat the increase of the field ;
 And he made him to suck honey out of the rock,
 And oil out of the flinty rock ;
 14 Butter of kine, and milk of sheep,
 With fat of lambs,
 And rams of the breed of Bashan, and
 goats,
 With the fat of kidneys of wheat ;
 And of the blood of the grape thou drankest
 wine.
 15 But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked :
 Thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick,
 thou art become sleek :
 Then he forsook God which made him,
 And lightly esteemed the Rock of his salva-
 tion.
 16 They moved him to jealousy with strange
 gods,
 With abominations provoked they him to
 anger.
 17 They sacrificed unto demons, *which were*
 no God,
 To gods whom they knew not,
 To new *gods* that came up of late,
 Whom your fathers dreaded not.
 18 Of the Rock that ²begat thee thou art un-
 mindful,
 And hast forgotten God that gave thee birth.
 19 And the LORD saw *it*, and abhorred *them*,

¹ Or, *Spreadeth
abroad her
wings, taketh
them, beareth
them on her
pinions*

² Or, *bare*

Because of the provocation of his sons and
his daughters.

And he said, I will hide my face from them, 20
I will see what their end shall be :

For they are a very froward generation,
Children in whom is no faith.

They have moved me to jealousy with that 21
which is not God ;

They have provoked me to anger with their
vanities :

And I will move them to jealousy with those
which are not a people ;

I will provoke them to anger with a foolish
nation.

For a fire is kindled in mine anger, 22

And burneth unto the lowest ¹pit,
And devoureth the earth with her increase,
And setteth on fire the foundations of the
mountains.

I will heap mischiefs upon them ; 23

I will spend mine arrows upon them :

They shall be wasted with hunger, and de- 24
voured with ²burning heat

And bitter destruction ;

And the teeth of beasts will I send upon them,
With the poison of crawling things of the
dust.

Without shall the sword bereave, 25

And in the chambers terror ;

It shall destroy both young man and virgin,

The suckling with the man of gray hairs.

I said, I would scatter them afar, 26

I would make the remembrance of them to
cease from among men :

Were it not that I feared the provocation of 27
the enemy,

Lest their adversaries should misdeem,

Lest they should say, Our hand is exalted,

¹ Heb. *Sheol*.

² Heb. *burn-
ing coals*.
See Hab. iii.
5.

- And the LORD hath not done all this.
28 For they are a nation void of counsel,
And there is no understanding in them.
29 Oh that they were wise, that they understood
this,
That they would consider their latter end !
30 How should one chase a thousand,
And two put ten thousand to flight,
Except their Rock had sold them,
And the LORD had delivered them up ?
31 For their rock is not as our Rock,
Even our enemies themselves being judges.
32 For their vine is of the vine of Sodom,
And of the fields of Gomorrah :
Their grapes are grapes of ¹gall,
Their clusters are bitter :
33 Their wine is the poison of dragons,
And the cruel venom of asps.
34 Is not this laid up in store with me,
Sealed up ²among my treasures ?
35 Vengeance is mine, and recompence,
At the time when their foot shall slide :
For the day of their calamity is at hand,
And the things that are to come upon them
shall make haste.
36 For the LORD shall judge his people,
And repent himself for his servants;
When he seeth that *their* power is gone,
And there is none *remaining*, shut up or left
at large.
37 And he shall say, Where are their gods,
The rock in which they ³trusted ;
38 Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices,
And drank the wine of their drink offering ?
Let them rise up and help you,
Let them be your protection.
39 See now that I, even I, am he,
And there is no god with me :

¹ See ch. xxix.
18.

² Or, *in my
treasuries*

³ Or, *took
refuge*

I kill, and I make alive ;
 I have wounded, and I heal :
 And there is none that can deliver out of my
 hand.

For I lift up my hand to heaven, 40

And say, As I live for ever,

¹ Heb. *the lightning of my sword.*

If I whet ¹my glittering sword, 41

And mine hand take hold on judgement ;

I will render vengeance to mine adversaries,

And will recompense them that hate me.

I will make mine arrows drunk with blood, 42

And my sword shall devour flesh ;

With the blood of the slain and the captives,

² Or, *From the beginning of revenges upon the enemy*

²From ³the head of the leaders of the enemy.

³ Or, *the hairy head of the enemy*

⁴Rejoice, O ⁵ye nations, *with* his people : 43

For he will avenge the blood of his servants,

And will render vengeance to his adversaries,

And will make expiation for his land, for his
 people.

⁴ Or, *Praise his people, ye nations*

⁵ Or, *ye nations, his people*

And Moses came and spake all the words 44
 of this song in the ears of the people, he, and

Hoshea the son of Nun. And Moses made an 45

end of speaking all these words to all Israel :

and he said unto them, Set your heart unto 46

all the words which I testify unto you this day ;

which ye shall command your children, to ob-

serve to do all the words of this law. For it is 47

no vain thing for you ; because it is your life,

and through this thing ye shall prolong your

days upon the land, whither ye go over Jordan

to possess it.

And the LORD spake unto Moses that 48

selfsame day, saying, Get thee up into this 49

mountain of Abarim, unto mount Nebo, which

is in the land of Moab, that is over against

Jericho ; and behold the land of Canaan, which

I give unto the children of Israel for a pos-

session : and die in the mount whither thou 50

- goest up, and be gathered unto thy people ; as
 Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and
 51 was gathered unto his people : because ye tres-
 passed against me in the midst of the children
 of Israel at the waters of Meribah of Kadesh,
 in the wilderness of Zin ; because ye sanctified
 me not in the midst of the children of Israel.
 52 For thou shalt see the land before thee ; but
 thou shalt not go thither into the land which
 I give the children of Israel.
- 33 1 And this is the blessing, wherewith Moses
 the man of God blessed the children of Israel
 2 before his death. And he said,
 The LORD came from Sinai,
 And rose from Seir unto them ;
 He shined forth from mount Paran,
 And he came from the ten thousands of ¹holy
 ones :
 At his right hand ²was a fiery law unto
 them.
- 3 Yea, he loveth the ³peoples ;
 All ⁴his saints are in thy hand :
 And they sat down at thy feet ;
Every one ⁵shall receive of thy words.
- 4 Moses commanded us a law,
 An inheritance for the assembly of Jacob.
- 5 And ⁶he was king in Jeshurun,
 When the heads of the people were gathered,
 All the tribes of Israel together.
- 6 Let Reuben live, and not die ;
⁷Yet let his men be few.
- 7 And this is *the blessing* of Judah : and he
 said,
 Hear, LORD, the voice of Judah,
 And bring him in unto his people :
⁸With his hands he contended ⁹for himself ;
 And thou shalt be an help against his ad-
 versaries.

¹ Heb.
holiness.

² Or, *was fire,*
a law
Or, as other-
wise read, *were*
streams for
them

³ Or, *tribes*

⁴ Or, *their holy*
ones

⁵ Or, *received*

⁶ Or, *there was*
a king

⁷ Or, *And let*
not his men

⁸ Or, *Let his*
hands be suf-
ficient for him

⁹ Or, *for them*

¹ Or, *him*
whom thou
lovest

And of Levi he said, 8
 Thy Thummim and thy Urim are with ¹thy
 godly one,
 Whom thou didst prove at Massah,
 With whom thou didst strive at the waters of
 Meribah;
 Who said of his father, and of his mother, I 9
 have not seen him;
 Neither did he acknowledge his brethren,
 Nor knew he his own children:
 For they have observed thy word,
 And keep thy covenant.
 They shall teach Jacob thy judgements, 10
 And Israel thy law:
 They shall put incense ²before thee,
 And whole burnt offering upon thine altar.
 Bless, LORD, his substance, 11
 And accept the work of his hands:
 Smite through the loins of them that rise up
 against him,
 And of them that hate him, that they rise
 not again.
 Of Benjamin he said, 12
 The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety
 by him;
 He covereth him all the day long,
 And he dwelleth between his shoulders.
 And of Joseph he said, 13
 Blessed of the LORD be his land;
 For the precious things of heaven, for the
 dew,
 And for the deep that coucheth beneath,
 And for the precious things of the fruits of 14
 the sun,
 And for the precious things of the growth of
 the moons,
 And for the chief things of the ancient mount- 15
 ains,

² Heb. *in thy*
nostrils.

- And for the precious things of the everlasting hills,
 16 And for the precious things of the earth and the fulness thereof,
 And the good will of him that dwelt in the bush :
 Let *the blessing* come upon the head of Joseph,
 And upon the crown of the head of him ¹that was separate from his brethren. ¹ Or, *that is prince among*
- 17 ²The firstling of his bullock, majesty is his ; ² Or, *His firstling bullock*
 And his horns are the horns of the ³wild-ox : ³ See Num. xxiii. 22.
 With them he shall ⁴push the peoples all of them, *even* the ends of the earth : ⁴ Or, *gore*
 And they are the ten thousands of Ephraim,
 And they are the thousands of Manasseh.
- 18 And of Zebulun he said,
 Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out ;
 And, Issachar, in thy tents.
- 19 They shall call the peoples unto the mountain ;
 There shall they offer sacrifices of righteousness :
 For they shall suck the abundance of the seas,
 And the hidden treasures of the sand.
- 20 And of Gad he said,
 Blessed be he that enlargeth Gad :
 He dwelleth as a lioness,
 And teareth the arm, yea, the crown of the head.
- 21 And he ⁵provided the first part for himself, ⁵ Or, *chose*
 For there was ⁶the lawgiver's portion reserved ; ⁶ Or, *the lawgiver's portion*
 And he came ⁷*with* the heads of the people, ⁷ Or, *to*
 He executed the justice of the LORD,
 And his judgements with Israel.
- 22 And of Dan he said,
 Dan is a lion's whelp,
 That leapeth forth from Bashan.
- 23 And of Naphtali he said,

O Naphtali, satisfied with favour,
And full with the blessing of the LORD :
Possess thou the ¹west and the south.

¹ Or, *sea*

And of Asher he said, 24

² Or, *above sons*

Blessed be Asher ²with children ;
Let him be acceptable unto his brethren,
And let him dip his foot in oil.

³ Or, *shoes*

Thy ³bars shall be iron and brass ; 25

⁴ Or, *rest*
Or, *security*

And as thy days, so shall thy ⁴strength be.

There is none like unto God, O Jeshurun, 26

Who rideth upon the heaven for thy help,
And in his excellency on the skies.

The eternal God is *thy* dwelling place, 27

And underneath are the everlasting arms :

And he thrust out the enemy from before
thee,

And said, Destroy.

And Israel dwelleth in safety, 28

The fountain of Jacob alone,

In a land of corn and wine ;

Yea, his heavens drop down dew.

Happy art thou, O Israel : 29

Who is like unto thee, a people saved by the

LORD,

The shield of thy help,

And that is the sword of thy excellency !

⁵ Or, *yield*
feigned
obedience

And thine enemies shall ⁵submit themselves
unto thee ;

And thou shalt tread upon their high places.

And Moses went up from the plains of 34

Moab unto mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah,
that is over against Jericho. And the LORD

shewed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan ;

and all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim ²

and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto

the ⁶hinder sea ; and the South, and the Plain ³

of the valley of Jericho the city of palm trees,

unto Zoar. And the LORD said unto him, ⁴

⁶ That is,
western.

This is the land which I swear unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed: I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over
5 thither. So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the
6 word of the LORD. And ¹he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab over against Beth-
peor: but no man knoweth of his sepulchre
7 unto this day. And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.
8 And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days: so the days of weeping in the mourning for Moses were
9 ended. And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the LORD com-
10 manded Moses. And there hath not arisen a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom
11 the LORD knew face to face; in all the signs and the wonders, which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all
12 his servants, and to all his land; and in all the mighty hand, and in all the great terror, which Moses wrought in the sight of all Israel.

¹ Or, he was buried

THE
BOOK OF JOSHUA.

Now it came to pass after the death of Moses ¹ **1**
the servant of the LORD, that the LORD spake
unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister,
saying, Moses my servant is dead; now there- ²
fore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all
this people, unto the land which I do give to
them, even to the children of Israel. Every ³
place that the sole of your foot shall tread
upon, to you have I given it, as I spake unto
Moses. From the wilderness, and this Leba- ⁴
non, even unto the great river, the river Eu-
phrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto
the great sea toward the going down of the
sun, shall be your border. There shall not any ⁵
man be able to stand before thee all the days
of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be
with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake
thee. Be strong and of a good courage: for ⁶
thou shalt cause this people to inherit the land
which I swore unto their fathers to give them.
Only be strong and very courageous, to observe ⁷
to do according to all the law, which Moses my
servant commanded thee: turn not from it to
the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest
¹have good success whithersoever thou goest.
This book of the law shall not depart out of thy ⁸
mouth, but thou shalt meditate therein day and

¹ Or, *deal*
wisely

night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt
9 ¹have good success. Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not affrighted, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

¹ Or, deal wisely

10 Then Joshua commanded the officers of the
11 people, saying, Pass through the midst of the camp, and command the people, saying, Prepare you victuals; for within three days ye are to pass over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which the LORD your God giveth you to possess it.

12 And to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, spake Joshua,
13 saying, Remember the word which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying, The LORD your God giveth you rest, and will
14 give you this land. Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall abide in the land which Moses gave you beyond Jordan; but ye shall pass over before your brethren armed, all the mighty men of valour, and shall help them;
15 until the LORD have given your brethren rest, as *he hath given* you, and they also have possessed the land which the LORD your God giveth them: then ye shall return unto the land of your possession, and possess it, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you beyond
16 Jordan toward the sunrising. And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou hast commanded us we will do, and whithersoever
17 thou sendest us we will go. According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee: only the LORD thy God
18 be with thee, as he was with Moses. Who-

soever he be that shall rebel against thy commandment, and shall not hearken unto thy words in all that thou commandest him, he shall be put to death: only be strong and of a good courage.

And Joshua the son of Nun sent out of **1 2** Shittim two men as spies secretly, saying, Go view the land, and Jericho. And they went, and came into the house of an harlot whose name was Rahab, and lay there. And it was **2** told the king of Jericho, saying, Behold, there came men in hither to-night of the children of Israel to search out the land. And the king of **3** Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, Bring forth the men that are come to thee, which are entered into thine house: for they be come to search out all the land. And the woman took the two men, **4** and hid them; and she said, Yea, the men came unto me, but I wist not whence they were: and **5** it came to pass about the time of the shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that the men went out: whither the men went I wot not: pursue after them quickly; for ye shall overtake them. But she had brought them up to the roof, and **6** hid them with the stalks of flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof. And the men **7** pursued after them the way to Jordan unto the fords: and as soon as they which pursued after them were gone out, they shut the gate. And before they were laid down, she came up **8** unto them upon the roof; and she said unto the **9** men, I know that the LORD hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land melt away before you. For we have heard how the LORD **10** dried up the water of the Red Sea before you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that were

beyond Jordan, unto Sihon and to Og, whom
11 ye utterly destroyed. And as soon as we had
heard it, our hearts did melt, neither did there
remain any more spirit in any man, because of
you: for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven
12 above, and on earth beneath. Now therefore,
I pray you, swear unto me by the LORD, since
I have dealt kindly with you, that ye also will
deal kindly with my father's house, and give
13 me a true token: and that ye will save alive
my father, and my mother, and my brethren,
and my sisters, and all that they have, and
14 will deliver our lives from death. And the
men said unto her, Our life ¹for yours, if ye
utter not this our business; and it shall be,
when the LORD giveth us the land, that we will
15 deal kindly and truly with thee. Then she let
them down by a cord through the window: for
her house was upon the town wall, and she
16 dwelt upon the wall. And she said unto them,
Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers
light upon you; and hide yourselves there three
days, until the pursuers be returned: and after-
17 ward may ye go your way. And the men said
unto her, We will be guiltless of this thine oath
18 which thou hast made us to swear. Behold,
when we come into the land, thou shalt bind this
line of scarlet thread in the window which thou
didst let us down by: and thou shalt gather
unto thee into the house thy father, and thy
mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's
19 household. And it shall be, that whosoever
shall go out of the doors of thy house into
the street, his blood shall be upon his head, and
we will be guiltless: and whosoever shall be
with thee in the house, his blood shall be on
20 our head, if any hand be upon him. But if
thou utter this our business, then we will be

¹ Heb. *instead
of you to die.*

guiltless of thine oath which thou hast made us to swear. And she said, According unto your ²¹ words, so be it. And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window. And they went, and came unto ²² the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought them throughout all the way, but found them not. Then the two men returned, and ²³ descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun; and they told him all that had befallen them. And ²⁴ they said unto Joshua, Truly the LORD hath delivered into our hands all the land; and moreover all the inhabitants of the land do melt away before us.

And Joshua rose up early in the morning, ¹ **3** and they removed from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the children of Israel; and they lodged there before they passed over. And it came to pass after three days, that ² the officers went through the midst of the camp; and they commanded the people, saying, ³ When ye see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it. Yet there shall be a space ⁴ between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go; for ye have not passed this way heretofore. And ⁵ Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to-morrow the LORD will do wonders among you. And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, ⁶ Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant, and went before the people. And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day will ⁷

I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with
 8 Moses, so I will be with thee. And thou shalt command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant, saying, When ye are come to the brink of the waters of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.

9 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, Come hither, and hear the words of the LORD
 10 your God. And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God is among you, and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Hivite, and the Perizzite, and the Girgashite,
 11 and the Amorite, and the Jebusite. Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth passeth over before you into Jordan.
 12 Now therefore take you twelve men out of the
 13 tribes of Israel, for every tribe a man. And it shall come to pass, when the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan shall be cut off, even the waters that come down from above ;
 14 and they shall stand in one heap. And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan, the priests that bare the ark of the covenant being before the
 15 people ; and when they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare¹ the ark were dipped in the brink of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all its
 16 banks all the time of harvest,) that the waters which came down from above stood, and rose up in one heap, a great way¹ off, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan : and those that went down toward the sea of the² Arabah, even the Salt Sea, were wholly cut off : and the

¹ Another reading is, *off from*.

² See Deut. i. 1.

people passed over right against Jericho. And ¹⁷ the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and all Israel passed over on dry ground, until all the nation were passed clean over Jordan.

And it came to pass, when all the nation were ¹ **4** clean passed over Jordan, that the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying, Take you twelve men out ² of the people, out of every tribe a man, and ³ command ye them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the place where the priests' feet stood firm, twelve stones, and carry them over with you, and lay them down in the lodging place, where ye shall lodge this night. Then Joshua called the twelve men, ⁴ whom he had prepared of the children of Israel, out of every tribe a man : and Joshua said unto ⁵ them, Pass over before the ark of the LORD your God into the midst of Jordan, and take you up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder, according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel : that this may ⁶ be a sign among you, that when your children ask in time to come, saying, What mean ye by these stones? then ye shall say unto them, ⁷ Because the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD ; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off : and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever. And the children of Israel did so as Joshua ⁸ commanded, and took up twelve stones out of the midst of Jordan, as the LORD spake unto Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel ; and they carried them over with them unto the place where they lodged, and laid them down there. And Joshua ⁹

- set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests which bare the ark of the covenant stood : and they
10 are there, unto this day. For the priests which bare the ark stood in the midst of Jordan, until every thing was finished that the LORD commanded Joshua to speak unto the people, according to all that Moses commanded Joshua :
11 and the people hasted and passed over. And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over, that the ark of the LORD passed over, and the priests, in the presence of the
12 people. And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and the half tribe of Manasseh, passed over armed before the children of Israel,
13 as Moses spake unto them : about forty thousand ready armed for war passed over before the
14 LORD unto battle, to the plains of Jericho. On that day the LORD magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel ; and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.
- 15 And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,
16 Command the priests that bear the ark of the testimony, that they come up out of Jordan.
17 Joshua therefore commanded the priests, saying,
18 Come ye up out of Jordan. And it came to pass, when the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD were come up out of the midst of Jordan, and the soles of the priests' feet were lifted up unto the dry ground, that the waters of Jordan returned unto their place,
19 and went over all its banks, as aforetime. And the people came up out of Jordan on the tenth day of the first month, and encamped in Gilgal, on
20 the east border of Jericho. And those twelve stones, which they took out of Jordan, did
21 Joshua set up in Gilgal. And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children

shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones? then ye shall let ²² your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land. For the LORD your ²³ God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red Sea, which he dried up from before us, until we were passed over: that all the peoples of the earth may ²⁴ know the hand of the LORD, that it is mighty; that ¹they may fear the LORD your God for ever.

¹ So with a change of vowel-points. The pointing of the text is irregular.

And it came to pass, when all the kings of ¹ 5 the Amorites, which were beyond Jordan westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, which were by the sea, heard how that the LORD had dried up the waters of Jordan from before the children of Israel, until ²we were passed over, that their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the children of Israel.

² Another reading is, *they*.

At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, ² Make thee knives of flint, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time. And ³ Joshua made him knives of flint, and circumcised the children of Israel at ³the hill of the foreskins. And this is the cause why Joshua did ⁴ circumcise: all the people that came forth out of Egypt, that were males, even all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came forth out of Egypt. For all the ⁵ people that came out were circumcised: but all the people that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, they had not circumcised. For the children of Israel ⁶ walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the nation, even the men of war which came forth out of Egypt, were consumed, because they

³ Or, *Gibeath-ha-araloth*

- hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD : unto whom the LORD sware that he would not let them see the land which the LORD sware unto their fathers that he would give us, a land
7 flowing with milk and honey. And their children, whom he raised up in their stead, them did Joshua circumcise : for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by
8 the way. And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the nation, that they abode in their places in the camp, till they were whole.
9 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of that place was called ¹Gilgal, unto this day. ¹ That is, *Rolling*.
- 10 And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal ; and they kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the
11 plains of Jericho. And they did eat of the ²old ² Or, *produce*
Or, *corn* corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes and parched corn, in
12 the selfsame day. And the manna ceased on the morrow, after they had eaten of the ²old corn of the land ; neither had the children of Israel manna any more ; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.
- 13 And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand : and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, Art thou for us, or for our adversaries ?
- 14 And he said, Nay ; but *as* ³captain of the host ³ Or, *prince* of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my lord unto
15 his servant ? And the captain of the LORD'S host said unto Joshua, Put off thy shoe from

off thy foot ; for the place whereon thou stand-
 est is holy. And Joshua did so. (Now Jericho **1 6**
¹was straitly shut up because of the children
 of Israel : none went out, and none came in.)
 And the LORD said unto Joshua, See, I have **2**
 given into thine hand Jericho, and the king
 thereof, and the mighty men of valour. And **3**
 ye shall compass the city, all the men of war,
 going about the city once. Thus shalt thou do
 six days. And seven priests shall bear seven **4**
²trumpets of rams' horns before the ark : and
 the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven
 times, and the priests shall blow with the
 trumpets. And it shall be, that when they make **5**
 a long blast with the ram's horn, and when ye
 hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people
 shall shout with a great shout ; and the wall of
 the city shall fall down ³flat, and the people
 shall go up every man straight before him. And **6**
 Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and
 said unto them, Take up the ark of the coven-
 ant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of
 rams' horns before the ark of the LORD. And **7**
⁴they said unto the people, Pass on, and com-
 pass the city, and let the armed men pass on
 before the ark of the LORD. And it was so, **8**
 that when Joshua had spoken unto the people,
 the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of
 rams' horns before the LORD passed on, and
 blew with the trumpets : and the ark of the
 covenant of the LORD followed them. And the **9**
 armed men went before the priests that blew
 the trumpets, and the rearward went after the
 ark, *the priests* blowing with the trumpets as
 they went. And Joshua commanded the people, **10**
 saying, Ye shall not shout, nor let your voice be
 heard, neither shall any word proceed out of
 your mouth, until the day I bid you shout ; then

¹ Heb. *shut*
 the gates *and*
 was shut in.

² Or, *jubile*
trumpets

³ Heb. *in its*
place.

⁴ Another
 reading is, *he.*

11 shall ye shout. So he caused the ark of the LORD to compass the city, going about it once: and they came into the camp, and lodged in the camp.

12 And Joshua rose early in the morning, and
13 the priests took up the ark of the LORD. And the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD went on continually, and blew with the trumpets: and the armed men went before them; and the rearward came after the ark of the LORD, *the priests* blowing with the trumpets as they

14 went. And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp:

15 so they did six days. And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early at the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they compassed the city seven

16 times. And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the
17 LORD hath given you the city. And the city shall be ¹devoted, even it and all that is therein, to the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.

18 And ye, in any wise keep yourselves from the devoted thing, lest when ye have devoted it, ye take of the devoted thing; so should ye make the camp of Israel ²accursed, and trouble

19 it. But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, are holy unto the LORD: they shall come into the treasury of the LORD.

20 So the people shouted, and *the priests* blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, that the people shouted with a great shout, and the

¹ See Lev. xxvii. 28, Deut. xx. 17.

² Heb. *devoted*.

¹ Heb. *in its place.*

² Heb. *devoted.*

³ Heb. *families.*

wall fell down ¹flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city. And they ²utterly ²¹destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, both young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword. And Joshua said unto the two men that had ²²spied out the land, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, as ye sware unto her. And the young ²³men the spies went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had, all her ³kindred also they brought out; and they set them without the camp of Israel. And they burnt the city ²⁴with fire, and all that was therein: only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD. But Rahab the harlot, and ²⁵her father's household, and all that she had, did Joshua save alive; and she dwelt in the midst of Israel, unto this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out Jericho. And Joshua charged them with an ²⁶oath at that time, saying, Cursed be the man before the LORD, that riseth up and buildeth this city Jericho: with the loss of his firstborn shall he lay the foundation thereof, and with the loss of his youngest son shall he set up the gates of it. So the LORD was with Joshua; ²⁷and his fame was in all the land.

But the children of Israel committed a tres- ¹ ⁷pass in the devoted thing: for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the devoted thing: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel.

And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, ²

- which is beside Beth-aven, on the east side of Beth-el, and spake unto them, saying, Go up and spy out the land. And the men went up
3 and spied out Ai. And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, Let not all the people go up; but let about two or three thousand men go up and smite Ai; make not all the people to toil thither; for they are but
4 few. So there went up thither of the people about three thousand men: and they fled before
5 the men of Ai. And the men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: and they chased them *from* before the gate even unto ^{1 Or, the} Shebarim, ^{quarries} and smote them at the going down: and the hearts of the people melted, and became as
6 water. And Joshua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the LORD until the evening, he and the elders of Israel; and they put dust upon their heads.
7 And Joshua said, Alas, O Lord GOD, wherefore hast thou at all brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to cause us to perish? would that we had been content and dwelt beyond Jordan!
8 Oh Lord, what shall I say, after that Israel hath turned their backs before their enemies!
9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear of it, and shall compass us round, and cut off our name from the earth:
10 and what wilt thou do for thy great name? And the LORD said unto Joshua, Get thee up; wherefore art thou thus fallen upon thy face? Israel hath sinned; yea, they have even transgressed my covenant which I commanded them: yea, they have even taken of the devoted thing; and have also stolen, and dissembled also, and they have even put it among their own stuff.
12 Therefore the children of Israel cannot stand

¹ See ch. vi.
18.

before their enemies, they turn their backs before their enemies, because they are become ¹accursed : I will not be with you any more, except ye destroy the devoted thing from among you. Up, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify ¹³ yourselves against to-morrow : for thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, There is a devoted thing in the midst of thee, O Israel : thou canst not stand before thine enemies, until ye take away the devoted thing from among you. In ¹⁴ the morning therefore ye shall be brought near by your tribes : and it shall be, that the tribe which the LORD taketh shall come near by families ; and the family which the LORD shall take shall come near by households ; and the household which the LORD shall take shall come near man by man. And it shall be, that he that is ¹⁵ taken with the devoted thing shall be burnt with fire, he and all that he hath : because he hath transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because he hath wrought folly in Israel.

² According to some ancient authorities, *families*.

³ According to some ancient authorities, *by households*.

⁴ Or, *give praise*

So Joshua rose up early in the morning, ¹⁶ and brought Israel near by their tribes ; and the tribe of Judah was taken : and he brought ¹⁷ near the ²family of Judah ; and he took the family of the Zerahites : and he brought near the family of the Zerahites ³man by man ; and Zabdi was taken : and he brought near his ¹⁸ household man by man ; and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken. And Joshua ¹⁹ said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to the LORD, the God of Israel, and ⁴make confession unto him ; and tell me now what thou hast done ; hide it not from me. And ²⁰ Achan answered Joshua, and said, Of a truth I have sinned against the LORD, the God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done : when I saw ²¹

- among the spoil a goodly ¹Babylonish mantle, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they are hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the
22 silver under it. So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran unto the tent; and, behold, it was
23 hid in his tent, and the silver under it. And they took them from the midst of the tent, and brought them unto Joshua, and unto all the children of Israel; and they laid them down
24 before the LORD. And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the mantle, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that he had: and they brought them up unto
25 the valley of Achor. And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall trouble thee this day. And all Israel stoned him with stones; and they burned them with fire, and
26 stoned them with stones. And they raised over him a great heap of stones, unto this day; and the LORD turned from the fierceness of his anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called, The valley of ²Achor, unto this day.
- 8 1 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the people of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and
2 his people, and his city, and his land: and thou shalt do to Ai and her king as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: set thee an ambush
3 for the city behind it. So Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go up to Ai: and Joshua chose out thirty thousand men, the

¹ Heb. *mantle of Shinar.*

² That is, *Troubling.*

mighty men of valour, and sent them forth by night. And he commanded them, saying, ⁴ Behold, ye shall lie in ambush against the city, behind the city: go not very far from the city, but be ye all ready: and I, and all the people ⁵ that are with me, will approach unto the city: and it shall come to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first, that we will flee before them; and they will come out after us, till we ⁶ have drawn them away from the city; for they will say, They flee before us, as at the first; so we will flee before them: and ye shall rise up ⁷ from the ambush, and take possession of the city: for the LORD your God will deliver it into your hand. And it shall be, when ye have ⁸ seized upon the city, that ye shall set the city on fire; according to the word of the LORD shall ye do: see, I have commanded you. And ⁹ Joshua sent them forth: and they went to the ambushment, and abode between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the people.

And Joshua rose up early in the morning, ¹⁰ and mustered the people, and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the people to Ai. And all the people, *even the men of war* that ¹¹ were with him, went up, and drew nigh, and came before the city, and pitched on the north side of Ai: now there was a valley between him and Ai. And he took about five thousand ¹² men, and set them in ambush between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of ¹the city. ²So they ¹³ set the people, even all the host that was on the north of the city, and their liers in wait that were on the west of the city; and Joshua ³went that night into the midst of the vale. And it ¹⁴ came to pass, when the king of Ai saw it, that they hastened and rose up early, and the men of

¹ Another reading is, *Ai*.

² Or, *So the people set all &c.*

³ Some MSS. read, *lodged that night in*.

- the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people, ¹at the time appointed, before the Arabah; but he wist not that there was an am-
15 bush against him behind the city. And Joshua and all Israel made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderness.
16 And all the people that were in ²the city were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were drawn away
17 from the city. And there was not a man left in Ai or Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the city open, and pursued after
18 Israel. And the LORD said unto Joshua, Stretch out the javelin that is in thy hand toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand. And Joshua stretched out the javelin that was in his hand
19 toward the city. And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon as he had stretched out his hand, and entered into the city, and took it; and they hasted and set the
20 city on fire. And when the men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, behold, the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no ³power to flee this way or that way: and the people that fled to the wilderness turned
21 back upon the pursuers. And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the men of Ai.
22 And the other came forth out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so that they let none of them
23 remain or escape. And the king of Ai they
24 took alive, and brought him to Joshua. And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they pursued them, and
- ¹ Or, to the place appointed
- ² Another reading is, Ai.
- ³ Heb. hands.

they were all fallen by the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all Israel returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword. And all that fell that day, both of 25 men and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai. For Joshua drew not back his 26 hand, wherewith he stretched out the javelin, until he had ¹utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai. Only the cattle and the spoil of that 27 city Israel took for a prey unto themselves, according unto the word of the LORD which he commanded Joshua. So Joshua burnt Ai, and 28 made it an ²heap for ever, even a desolation, unto this day. And the king of Ai he hanged 29 on a tree until the eventide: and at the going down of the sun Joshua commanded, and they took his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and raised thereon a great heap of stones, unto this day.

Then Joshua built an altar unto the LORD, 30 the God of Israel, in mount Ebal, as Moses 31 the servant of the LORD commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the book of the law of Moses, an altar of ³unhewn stones, upon which no man had lift up any iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the LORD, and sacrificed peace offerings. And he 32 wrote there upon ⁴the stones a copy of the law of Moses, ⁵which he wrote, in the presence of the children of Israel. And all Israel, and their 33 elders and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the ark and on that side before the priests the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, as well the stranger as the homeborn; half of them in front of mount Gerizim, and half of them in front of mount Ebal; as Moses the servant of the LORD had

¹ Heb. *devoted*.

² Or, *mound*
Heb. *tel*.

³ Heb. *whole*.

⁴ See Deut.
xxvii. 2—4.

⁵ Or, *which he wrote in &c.*

¹commanded, that they should bless the people
 34 of Israel first of all. And afterward he read all
 the words of the law, the blessing and the
 curse, according to all that is written in the
 35 book of the law. There was not a word of all
 that Moses commanded, which Joshua read
 not before all the assembly of Israel, and the
 women, and the little ones, and the strangers
 that ²were conversant among them.

¹ Or, *com-
manded at the
first, that
they should
bless the people
of Israel.*

² Heb. *walked.*

9 ¹ And it came to pass, when all the kings
 which were beyond Jordan, in the hill country,
 and in the lowland, and on all the shore of the
 great sea in front of Lebanon, the Hittite, and
 the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the
 2 Hivite, and the Jebusite, heard thereof; that
 they gathered themselves together, to fight with
 Joshua and with Israel, with one accord.

3 But when the inhabitants of Gibeon heard
 what Joshua had done unto Jericho and to Ai,
 4 they also did work wilily, and went and ³made
 as if they had been ambassadors, and took old
 sacks upon their asses, and wine-skins, old
 5 and rent and bound up; and old shoes and
 clouted upon their feet, and old garments upon
 them; and all the bread of their provision was
 6 dry and was become mouldy. And they went
 to Joshua unto the camp at Gilgal, and said
 unto him, and to the men of Israel, We are
 come from a far country: now therefore make
 7 ye a covenant with us. And the men of Israel
 said unto the Hivites, Peradventure ye dwell
 among us; and how shall we make a covenant
 8 with you? And they said unto Joshua, We are
 thy servants. And Joshua said unto them, Who
 9 are ye? and from whence come ye? And they
 said unto him, From a very far country thy
 servants are come because of the name of the
 LORD thy God: for we have heard the fame of

³ Another
 reading,
 followed by
 most ancient
 versions, is,
*took them pro-
visions.* See
 ver. 12.

him, and all that he did in Egypt, and all that 10
he did to the two kings of the Amorites, that
were beyond Jordan, to Sihon king of Heshbon,
and to Og king of Bashan, which was at Ashtar-
oth. And our elders and all the inhabitants of 11
our country spake to us, saying, Take provision
in your hand for the journey, and go to meet
them, and say unto them, We are your serv-
ants: and now make ye a covenant with us.
This our bread we took hot for our provision 12
out of our houses on the day we came forth
to go unto you; but now, behold, it is dry,
and is become mouldy: and these wine-skins, 13
which we filled, were new; and, behold, they
be rent: and these our garments and our shoes
are become old by reason of the very long
journey. And the men took of their provision, 14
and asked not counsel at the mouth of the LORD.
And Joshua made peace with them, and made a 15
covenant with them, to let them live: and the
princes of the congregation sware unto them.
And it came to pass at the end of three days 16
after they had made a covenant with them, that
they heard that they were their neighbours, and
that they dwelt among them. And the children 17
of Israel journeyed, and came unto their cities
on the third day. Now their cities were Gibeon,
and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kiriath-jearim.
And the children of Israel smote them not, 18
because the princes of the congregation had
sworn unto them by the LORD, the God of
Israel. And all the congregation murmured
against the princes. But all the princes said 19
unto all the congregation, We have sworn unto
them by the LORD, the God of Israel: now
therefore we may not touch them. This we 20
will do to them, and let them live; lest wrath
be upon us, because of the oath which we

- 21 sware unto them. And the princes said unto them, Let them live: so they became hewers of wood and drawers of water unto all the congregation; as the princes had spoken unto
 22 them. And Joshua called for them, and he spake unto them, saying, Wherefore have ye beguiled us, saying, We are very far from you;
 23 when ye dwell among us? Now therefore ye are cursed, and there ¹shall never fail to be of you bondmen, both hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my God. ¹ Heb. *shall not be cut off from you.*
 24 And they answered Joshua, and said, Because it was certainly told thy servants, how that the LORD thy God commanded his servant Moses to give you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land from before you; therefore we were sore afraid for our lives because
 25 of you, and have done this thing. And now, behold, we are in thine hand: as it seemeth good and right unto thee to do unto us, do.
 26 And so did he unto them, and delivered them out of the hand of the children of Israel, that
 27 they slew them not. And Joshua made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water for the congregation, and for the altar of the LORD, unto this day, in the place which he should choose.
 10 ¹ Now it came to pass, when Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem heard how Joshua had taken Ai, and had ²utterly destroyed it; as he had done to Jericho and her king, so he had done to Ai and her king; and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were
 2 among them; that they feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city, as one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and
 3 all the men thereof were mighty. Wherefore Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem sent unto Ho- ² Heb. *devoted.*

ham king of Hebron, and unto Piram king of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of Lachish, and unto Debir king of Eglon, saying, Come up 4 unto me, and help me, and let us smite Gibeon: for it hath made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel. Therefore the five kings 5 of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all their hosts, and encamped against Gibeon, and made war against it. And the men of Gibeon sent 6 unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal, saying, Slack not thy hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the hill country are gathered together against us. So 7 Joshua went up from Gilgal, he, and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valour. And the LORD said unto Joshua, 8 Fear them not: for I have delivered them into thine hands; there shall not a man of them stand before thee. Joshua therefore came upon 9 them suddenly; *for* he went up from Gilgal all the night. And the LORD discomfited them 10 before Israel, and he slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them by the way of the ascent of Beth-horon, and smote them to Azekah, and unto Makkedah. And it 11 came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, while they were in the going down of Beth-horon, that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: they were more which died with the hailstones than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.

Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day 12 when the LORD delivered up the Amorites

before the children of Israel; and he said in the sight of Israel,

Sun, ¹stand thou still upon Gibeon;
And thou, Moon, in the valley of Aijalon.

¹ Heb. *be silent.*

¹³ And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed,
Until the nation had avenged themselves of their enemies.

Is not this written in the book of ²Jashar? And the sun stayed in the midst of heaven, and hasted
¹⁴ not to go down about a whole day. And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel.

² Or, *The Upright*
See 2 Sam. i. 18.

¹⁵ And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

¹⁶ And these five kings fled, and hid themselves
¹⁷ in the cave at Makkedah. And it was told Joshua, saying, The five kings are found, hidden
¹⁸ in the cave at Makkedah. And Joshua said, Roll great stones unto the mouth of the cave,
¹⁹ and set men by it for to keep them: but stay not ye; pursue after your enemies, and smite the hindmost of them; suffer them not to enter into their cities: for the LORD your God hath
²⁰ delivered them into your hand. And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, and the remnant which remained of them had entered
²¹ into the fenced cities, that all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: none ³moved his tongue against any of
²² the children of Israel. Then said Joshua, Open the mouth of the cave, and bring forth those
²³ five kings unto me out of the cave. And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king

³ Heb. *whetted.*

of Lachish, the king of Eglon. And it came ²⁴
to pass, when they brought forth those kings
unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men
of Israel, and said unto the chiefs of the men of
war which went with him, Come near, put your
feet upon the necks of these kings. And they
came near, and put their feet upon the necks of
them. And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, ²⁵
nor be dismayed; be strong and of good courage:
for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies
against whom ye fight. And afterward Joshua ²⁶
smote them, and put them to death, and hanged
them on five trees: and they were hanging
upon the trees until the evening. And it came ²⁷
to pass at the time of the going down of the
sun, that Joshua commanded, and they took
them down off the trees, and cast them into the
cave wherein they had hidden themselves, and
laid great stones on the mouth of the cave,
unto this very day.

And Joshua took Makkedah on that day, ²⁸
and smote it with the edge of the sword, and
¹ Heb. *devoted*. the king thereof; he ¹utterly destroyed them
and all the souls that were therein, he left none
remaining: and he did to the king of Makkedah
as he had done unto the king of Jericho.

And Joshua passed from Makkedah, and ²⁹
all Israel with him, unto Libnah, and fought
against Libnah: and the LORD delivered it also, ³⁰
and the king thereof, into the hand of Israel;
and he smote it with the edge of the sword,
and all the souls that were therein; he left
none remaining in it; and he did unto the king
thereof as he had done unto the king of Jericho.

And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all ³¹
Israel with him, unto Lachish, and encamped
against it, and fought against it: and the LORD ³²
delivered Lachish into the hand of Israel, and

he took it on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah.

33 Then Horam king of Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining.

34 And Joshua passed from Lachish, and all Israel with him, unto Eglon; and they encamped

35 against it, and fought against it; and they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein he ¹utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.

¹ Heb. *devoted*.

36 And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto Hebron; and they fought
37 against it: and they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but he ¹utterly destroyed it, and all the souls that were therein.

38 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with
39 him, to Debir; and fought against it: and he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and ¹utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; as he had done also to Libnah, and to the king thereof.

40 So Joshua smote all the land, the hill country, and the South, and the lowland, and the slopes, and all their kings; he left none remaining: but he ¹utterly destroyed all that breathed, as

41 the LORD, the God of Israel, commanded. And Joshua smote them from Kadesh-barnea even unto Gaza, and all the country of Goshen, even

unto Gibeon. And all these kings and their ⁴² land did Joshua take at one time, because the LORD, the God of Israel, fought for Israel. And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, ⁴³ unto the camp to Gilgal.

And it came to pass, when Jabin king of ¹ **11** Hazor heard thereof, that he sent to Jobab king of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph, and to the kings that ² were on the north, in the hill country, and in the Arabah south of Chinneroth, and in the lowland, and in ¹the heights of Dor on the west, to the ³ Canaanite on the east and on the west, and the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite in the hill country, and the Hivite under Hermon in the land of Mizpah. And ⁴ they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much people, even as the sand that is upon the sea shore in multitude, with horses and chariots very many. And all these kings ⁵ met together; and they came and pitched together at the waters of Merom, to fight with Israel. And the LORD said unto Joshua, ⁶ Be not afraid because of them: for to-morrow at this time will I deliver them up all slain before Israel: thou shalt hough their horses, and burn their chariots with fire. So Joshua ⁷ came, and all the people of war with him, against them by the waters of Merom suddenly, and fell upon them. And the LORD delivered ⁸ them into the hand of Israel, and they smote them, and chased them unto great Zidon, and unto Misrephoth-maim, and unto the valley of Mizpeh eastward; and they smote them, until they left them none remaining. And Joshua ⁹ did unto them as the LORD bade him: he houghed their horses, and burnt their chariots with fire.

¹ Or, *Naphoth*
Dor

- 10 And Joshua turned back at that time, and
 took Hazor, and smote the king thereof with
 the sword: for Hazor beforetime was the head
 11 of all those kingdoms. And they smote all
 the souls that were therein with the edge of the
 sword, ¹utterly destroying them: there was none ¹ Heb. *devoting.*
 left that breathed: and he burnt Hazor with
 12 fire. And all the cities of those kings, and
 all the kings of them, did Joshua take, and he
 smote them with the edge of the sword, and
 13 ²utterly destroyed them; as Moses the servant ² Heb. *devoted.*
 of the LORD commanded. But as for the
 cities that stood on their mounds, Israel burned
 none of them, save Hazor only; that did Joshua
 14 burn. And all the spoil of these cities, and
 the cattle, the children of Israel took for a prey
 unto themselves; but every man they smote
 with the edge of the sword, until they had de-
 stroyed them, neither left they any that breathed.
 15 As the LORD commanded Moses his servant,
 so did Moses command Joshua: and so did
 Joshua; ³he left nothing undone of all that the ³ Heb. *he re-
moved nothing.*
 LORD commanded Moses.
 16 So Joshua took all that land, the hill country,
 and all the South, and all the land of Goshen,
 and the lowland, and the Arabah, and the hill
 country of Israel, and the lowland of the same;
 17 from ⁴mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir, even ⁴ Or, *the bare
mountain*
 unto Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon under
 mount Hermon: and all their kings he took,
 18 and smote them, and put them to death. Joshua
 made war a long time with all those kings.
 19 There was not a city that made peace with the
 children of Israel, save the Hivites the inhabit-
 20 ants of Gibeon: they took all in battle. For
 it was of the LORD to ⁵harden their hearts, to ⁶ Heb. *devote.*
 come against Israel in battle, that he might ⁷ Or, *might
not sue for
favour*
⁶utterly destroy them, that they ⁷might have

no favour, but that he might destroy them, as the LORD commanded Moses.

And Joshua came at that time, and cut off ²¹ the Anakim from the hill country, from Hebron, from Debir, from Anab, and from all the hill country of Judah, and from all the hill country of Israel: Joshua ¹utterly destroyed them with their cities. There was none of the Anakim left ²² in the land of the children of Israel: only in Gaza, in Gath, and in Ashdod, did some remain. So Joshua took the whole land, according to all ²³ that the LORD spake unto Moses; and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel according to their divisions by their tribes. And the land had rest from war.

¹ Heb. *devoted*.

² See Deut. ii. 36.

Now these are the kings of the land, whom ¹ **12** the children of Israel smote, and possessed their land beyond Jordan toward the sunrising, from the valley of Arnon unto mount Hermon, and all the Arabah eastward: Sihon king of the Amor- ² ites, who dwelt in Heshbon, and ruled from Aroer, which is on the edge of the valley of Arnon, and ²*the city that is in* the middle of the valley, and half Gilead, even unto the river Jabbok, the border of the children of Ammon; and the ³ Arabah unto the sea of Chinneroth, eastward, and unto the sea of the Arabah, even the Salt Sea, eastward, the way to Beth-jeshimoth; and on the south, under the slopes of Pisgah: and ⁴ the border of Og king of Bashan, of the remnant of the Rephaim, who dwelt at Ashtaroth and at Edrei, and ruled in mount Hermon, and ⁵ in Salecah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the Geshurites and the Maacathites, and half Gilead, the border of Sihon king of Heshbon. Moses the servant of the LORD and the children ⁶ of Israel smote them: and Moses the servant of the LORD gave it for a possession unto the

Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh.

- 7 And these are the kings of the land whom Joshua and the children of Israel smote beyond Jordan westward, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon even unto ¹mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir; and Joshua gave it unto the tribes of Israel for a possession according to their divisions; in the hill country, and in the low-land, and in the Arabah, and in the slopes, and in the wilderness, and in the South; the Hittite, the Amorite, and the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite: the king of Jericho, one; the king of Ai, which is beside Beth-el, one; the king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one; the king of Jarmuth, one; the king of Lachish, one; the king of Eglon, one; the king of Gezer, one; the king of Debir, one; the king of Geder, one; the king of Hormah, one; the king of Arad, one; the king of Libnah, one; the king of Adullam, one; the king of Makkedah, one; the king of Beth-el, one; the king of Tappuah, one; the king of Hephher, one; the king of Aphek, one; the king of Lass Sharon, one; the king of Madon, one; the king of Hazor, one; the king of Shimron-meron, one; the king of Achshaph, one; the king of Taanach, one; the king of Megiddo, one; the king of Kedesh, one; the king of Jokneam in Carmel, one; the king of Dor in ²the height of Dor, one; the king of ³Goiim in Gilgal, one; the king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and one.
- 13 ¹ Now Joshua was old and well stricken in years; and the LORD said unto him, Thou art old and well stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.
- 2 This is the land that yet remaineth: all the

¹ See ch. xi.

17.

² Or, Naphath-dor³ Or, nations

¹ Commonly called, *the brook of Egypt*. See Num. xxxiv. 5.

² Or, *also the Avvim: from the south, all &c.*

³ Or, *table land*

regions of the Philistines, and all the Geshurites; from ¹the Shihor, which is before Egypt, ³even unto the border of Ekron northward, *which* is counted to the Canaanites: the five lords of the Philistines; the Gazites, and the Ashdodites, the Ashkelonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites; ²also the Avvim, on the south: all the ⁴land of the Canaanites, and Mearah that belongeth to the Zidonians, unto Aphek, to the border of the Amorites: and the land of the ⁵Gebalites, and all Lebanon, toward the sun-rising, from Baal-gad under mount Hermon unto the entering in of Hamath: all the inhabitants ⁶of the hill country from Lebanon unto Misrephoth-maim, even all the Zidonians; them will I drive out from before the children of Israel: only allot thou it unto Israel for an inheritance, as I have commanded thee. Now therefore ⁷divide this land for an inheritance unto the nine tribes, and the half tribe of Manasseh. With ⁸him the Reubenites and the Gadites received their inheritance, which Moses gave them, beyond Jordan eastward, even as Moses the servant of the LORD gave them; from Aroer, that ⁹is on the edge of the valley of Arnon, and the city that is in the middle of the valley, and ¹⁰all the ³plain of Medeba unto Dibon; and all ¹⁰the cities of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, unto the border of the children of Ammon; and Gilead, and the border ¹¹of the Geshurites and Maacathites, and all mount Hermon, and all Bashan unto Salecah; all ¹²the kingdom of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei (the same was left of the remnant of the Rephaim); for these did Moses smite, and drave them out. Nevertheless the ¹³children of Israel drave not out the Geshurites, nor the Maacathites: but Geshur and Maacath

- dwelt in the midst of Israel, unto this day.
- 14 Only unto the tribe of Levi he gave none inheritance; the offerings of the LORD, the God of Israel, made by fire are his inheritance, as he spake unto him.
- 15 And Moses gave unto the tribe of the children of Reuben according to their families.
- 16 And their border was from Aroer, that is on the edge of the valley of Arnon, and the city that is in the middle of the valley, and all the
- 17 ¹plain by Medeba; Heshbon, and all her cities ¹Or, *table land* that are in the ¹plain; Dibon, and Bamoth-baal,
- 18 and Beth-baal-meon; and Jahaz, and Kedemoth,
- 19 and Mephaath; and Kiriathaim, and Sibmah, and Zereth-shahar in the mount of the valley;
- 20 and Beth-peor, and the ²slopes of Pisgah, ² Or, *springs*
- 21 and Beth-jeshimoth; and all the cities of the ¹plain, and all the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, whom Moses smote with the chiefs of Midian, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, the princes of Sihon, that dwelt in the
- 22 land. Balaam also the son of Beor, the sooth-sayer, did the children of Israel slay with the
- 23 sword among the rest of their slain. And the border of the children of Reuben was Jordan, and the border *thereof*. This was the inheritance of the children of Reuben according to their families, the cities and the villages thereof.
- 24 And Moses gave unto the tribe of Gad, unto the children of Gad, according to their families.
- 25 And their border was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, and half the land of the children of Ammon, unto Aroer that is before Rabbah;
- 26 and from Heshbon unto Ramath-mizpeh, and Betonim; and from Mahanaim unto the border
- 27 of ³Debir; and in the valley, Beth-haram, and ³ Or, *Lidebir*

¹ Or, *having
Jordan for a
border*

Beth-nimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the kingdom of Sihon king of Heshbon, ¹Jordan and the border *thereof*, unto the uttermost part of the sea of Chinnereth beyond Jordan eastward. This is the inheritance of ²⁸ the children of Gad according to their families, the cities and the villages thereof.

² See Num.
xxxii. 41.

And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the half ²⁹ tribe of Manasseh: and it was for the half tribe of the children of Manasseh according to their families. And their border was from ³⁰ Mahanaim, all Bashan, all the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, and all ²the towns of Jair, which are in Bashan, threescore cities: and half ³¹ Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, the cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, were for the children of Machir the son of Manasseh, even for the half of the children of Machir according to their families.

These are the inheritances which Moses ³² distributed in the plains of Moab, beyond the Jordan at Jericho, eastward. But unto the ³³ tribe of Levi Moses gave none inheritance: the LORD, the God of Israel, is their inheritance, as he spake unto them.

And these are the inheritances which the ¹ **14** children of Israel took in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers' *houses* of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed unto them, by the lot of their inheritance, as the LORD ² commanded by the hand of Moses, for the nine tribes, and for the half tribe. For Moses had ³ given the inheritance of the two tribes and the half tribe beyond Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave none inheritance among them. For ⁴ the children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: and they gave no portion unto

the Levites in the land, save cities to dwell in,
with the ¹suburbs thereof for their cattle and
5 for their substance. As the LORD commanded
Moses, so the children of Israel did, and they
divided the land.

6 Then the children of Judah drew nigh un-
to Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of
Jephunneh the Kenizzite said unto him, Thou
knowest the thing that the LORD spake unto
Moses the man of God concerning me and con-
7 cerning thee in Kadesh-barnea. Forty years
old was I when Moses the servant of the LORD
sent me from Kadesh-barnea to spy out the
land; and I brought him word again as it was
8 in mine heart. Nevertheless my brethren that
went up with me made the heart of the people
melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my
9 God. And Moses sware on that day, saying,
Surely the land whereon thy foot hath trodden
shall be an inheritance to thee and to thy
children for ever, because thou hast wholly fol-
10 lowed the LORD my God. And now, behold, the
LORD hath kept me alive, as he spake, these
forty and five years, from the time that the
LORD spake this word unto Moses, while Israel
walked in the wilderness: and now, lo, I am
11 this day fourscore and five years old. As yet I
am as strong this day as I was in the day that
Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even
so is my strength now, for war, and to go out
12 and to come in. Now therefore give me this
mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that
day; for thou heardest in that day how the
Anakim were there, and cities great and fenced:
it may be that the LORD will be with me, and I
13 shall drive them out, as the LORD spake. And
Joshua blessed him; and he gave Hebron unto
Caleb the son of Jephunneh for an inheritance.

¹ Or, pasture
lands

Therefore Hebron became the inheritance of ¹⁴ Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite, unto this day; because that he wholly followed the LORD, the God of Israel. Now the name of ¹⁵ Hebron beforetime was ¹Kiriath-arba; *which Arba was* the greatest man among the Anakim. And the land had rest from war.

¹ That is, *The city of Arba.*

And the lot for the tribe of the children of ¹ **15** Judah according to their families was unto the border of Edom, even to the wilderness of Zin southward, at the uttermost part of the south. And their south border was from the uttermost ² part of the Salt Sea, from the ²bay that looked southward: and it went out southward of the ³ ascent of Akrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and went up by the south of Kadesh-barnea, and passed along by Hezron, and went up to Addar, and turned about to Karka: and it ⁴ passed along to Azmon, and went out at the brook of Egypt; and the goings out of the border were at the sea: this shall be your south border. And the east border was the Salt Sea, ⁵ even unto the end of Jordan. And the border of the north quarter was from the ²bay of the sea at the end of Jordan: and the border went ⁶ up to Beth-hoglah, and passed along by the north of Beth-arabah; and the border went up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben: and ⁷ the border went up to Debir from the valley of Achor, and so northward, looking toward Gilgal, that is over against the ascent of Adummim, which is on the south side of the river: and the border passed along to the waters of En-shemesh, and the goings out thereof were at En-rogel: and the border went up by the valley ⁸ of the son of Hinnom unto the ³side of the Jebusite southward (the same is Jerusalem): and the border went up to the top of the

² Heb. *tongue.*

³ Heb. *shoulder.*

mountain that lieth before the valley of Hinnom westward, which is at the uttermost part of the
9 vale of Rephaim northward: and the border was drawn from the top of the mountain unto the fountain of the waters of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron; and the border was drawn to Baalah (the same is
10 Kiriath-jearim): and the border turned about from Baalah westward unto mount Seir, and passed along unto the side of mount Jearim on the north (the same is Chesalon), and went down to Beth-shemesh, and passed along by Timnah:
11 and the border went out unto the side of Ekron northward: and the border was drawn to Shik-keron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and went out at Jabneel; and the goings out of the
12 border were at the sea. And the west border was to the great sea, and the border *thereof*. This is the border of the children of Judah round about according to their families.

13 And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a portion among the children of Judah, according to the commandment of the LORD to Joshua, even ¹Kiriath-arba, *which Arba was*
14 the father of Anak (the same is Hebron). And Caleb drove out thence the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmi, the children
15 of Anak. And he went up thence against the inhabitants of Debir: now the name of Debir
16 beforetime was Kiriath-sepher. And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kiriath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to
17 wife. And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah
18 his daughter to wife. And it came to pass, when she came *unto him*, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted down from off her ass; and Caleb said unto her,

¹ That is, *The city of Arba.*

¹ Or, *present*

² Or, *given me
the land of the
South*

What wouldest thou? And she said, Give me ¹⁹
a ¹ blessing; for that thou hast ² set me in the
land of the South, give me also springs of
water. And he gave her the upper springs
and the nether springs.

This is the inheritance of the tribe of the ²⁰
children of Judah according to their families.

And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the ²¹
children of Judah toward the border of Edom
in the South were Kabzeel, and Eder, and
Jagur; and Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah; ²²
and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan; Ziph, and ^{23, 24}
Telem, and Bealoth; and Hazor-hadattah, and ²⁵
Kerioth-hezron (the same is Hazor); Amam, ²⁶
and Shema, and Moladah; and Hazar-gaddah, ²⁷
and Heshmon, and Beth-pelet; and Hazar-shual, ²⁸
and Beer-sheba, and Biziothiah; Baalah, and ²⁹
Iim, and Ezem; and Eltolad, and Chesil, and ³⁰
Hormah; and Ziklag, and Madmannah, and ³¹
Sansannah; and Lebaoth, and Shilhim, and ³²
Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities are twenty
and nine, with their villages.

In the lowland, Eshtaol, and Zorah, and ³³
Ashnah; and Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tap- ³⁴
puah, and Enam; Jarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, ³⁵
and Azekah; and Shaaraim, and Adithaim, and ³⁶
Gederah, and Gederothaim; fourteen cities with
their villages.

³ Or, *Lahmas*

Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad; and ^{37, 38}
Dilan, and Mizpeh, and Joktheel; Lachish, and ³⁹
Bozkath, and Eglon; and Cabbon, and ³ Lahmam, ⁴⁰
and Chithlish; and Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and ⁴¹
Naamah, and Makkedah; sixteen cities with
their villages.

Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan; and Iphtah, ^{42, 43}
and Ashnah, and Nezib; and Keilah, and ⁴⁴
Achzib, and Mareshah; nine cities with their
villages.

- 45 Ekron, with her ¹towns and her villages: ¹ Heb. *daughters.*
 46 from Ekron even unto the sea, all that were by
 the side of Ashdod, with their villages.
- 47 Ashdod, her towns and her villages; Gaza,
 her towns and her villages; unto the brook
 of Egypt, and the great sea, and the border
thereof.
- 48 And in the hill country, Shamir, and Jattir,
 49 and Socoh; and Dannah, and Kiriath-sannah
 50 (the same is Debir); and Anab, and Eshtemoh,
 51 and Anim; and Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh;
 eleven cities with their villages.
- 52, 53 Arab, and Dumah, and Eshan; and Janim,
 54 and Beth-tappuah, and Aphekah; and Humtah,
 and Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron), and
 Zior; nine cities with their villages.
- 55, 56 Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Jutah; and Jez-
 57 reel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah; Kain, Gibeah,
 and Timnah; ten cities with their villages.
- 58, 59 Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor; and Maarath,
 and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon; six cities with
 their villages.
- 60 Kiriath-baal (the same is Kiriath-jearim), and
 Rabbah; two cities with their villages.
- 61 In the wilderness, Beth-arabah, Middin, and
 62 Secacah; and Nibshan, and the City of Salt, and
 En-gedi; six cities with their villages.
- 63 And as for the Jebusites, the inhabitants of
 Jerusalem, the children of Judah could not drive
 them out: but the Jebusites dwelt with the
 children of Judah at Jerusalem, unto this day.
- 16** ¹ And the lot for the children of Joseph went
 out from the Jordan at Jericho, at the waters of
 Jericho on the east, even the wilderness, going
 up from Jericho through the hill country to
² Beth-el; and it went out from Beth-el to Luz,
 and passed along unto the border of the
³ Archites to Ataroth; and it went down west-

ward to the border of the Japhletites, unto the border of Beth-horon the nether, even unto Gezer: and the goings out thereof were at the sea. And the children of Joseph, Manasseh 4 and Ephraim, took their inheritance. And 5 the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families was *thus*: even the border of their inheritance eastward was Ataroth-addar, unto Beth-horon the upper; and the border 6 went out westward at Michmethath on the north; and the border turned about eastward unto Taanath-shiloh, and passed along it on the east of Janoah; and it went down from 7 Janoah to Ataroth, and to Naarah, and reached unto Jericho, and went out at Jordan. From 8 Tappuah the border went along westward to the brook of Kanah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim according to their families; together with the cities which 9 were separated for the children of Ephraim in the midst of the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, all the cities with their villages. And they drave not out the Canaanites that 10 dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwelt in the midst of Ephraim, unto this day, and became servants to do taskwork.

And *this* was the lot for the tribe of Manas- 1 17 seh; for he was the firstborn of Joseph. As for Machir the firstborn of Manasseh, the father of Gilead, because he was a man of war, therefore he had Gilead and Bashan. And *the lot* 2 was for the rest of the children of Manasseh according to their families; for the children of Abiezer, and for the children of Helek, and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of Shechem, and for the children of Hepher, and for the children of Shemida: these were the

- male children of Manasseh the son of Joseph
3 according to their families. But Zelophehad,
the son of Hephher, the son of Gilead, the son of
Machir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons, but
daughters: and these are the names of his
daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah,
4 and Tirzah. And they came near before
Eleazar the priest, and before Joshua the son
of Nun, and before the princes, saying, The
LORD commanded Moses to give us an inheri-
tance among our brethren: therefore according
to the commandment of the LORD he gave them
an inheritance among the brethren of their father.
5 And there fell ten ¹parts to Manasseh, beside ¹ Heb. *lines*.
the land of Gilead and Bashan, which is beyond
6 Jordan; because the daughters of Manasseh
had an inheritance among his sons: and the
land of Gilead belonged unto the rest of the
7 sons of Manasseh. And the border of Manas-
seh was from Asher to Michmethath, which is
before Shechem; and the border went along to
the right hand, unto the inhabitants of En-
8 tappuah. The land of Tappuah belonged to
Manasseh: but Tappuah on the border of
Manasseh belonged to the children of Ephraim.
9 And the border went down unto the brook of
Kanan, southward of the brook: these cities
belonged to Ephraim among the cities of
Manasseh: and the border of Manasseh was
on the north side of the brook, and the goings
10 out thereof were at the sea: southward it was
Ephraim's, and northward it was Manasseh's,
and the sea was his border; and they reached to
Asher on the north, and to Issachar on the east.
11 And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher
Beth-shean and her ²towns, and Ibleam and her ² Heb. *daughters*.
towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and her
towns, and the inhabitants of En-dor and her

¹ See ch. xi. 2,
xii. 23.

towns, and the inhabitants of Taanach and her towns, and the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns, even the three ¹heights. Yet the ¹² children of Manasseh could not drive out *the inhabitants of* those cities; but the Canaanites would dwell in that land. And it came to ¹³ pass, when the children of Israel were waxen strong, that they put the Canaanites to task-work, and did not utterly drive them out.

² Heb. *line*.

And the children of Joseph spake unto ¹⁴ Joshua, saying, Why hast thou given me but one lot and one ²part for an inheritance, seeing I am a great people, forasmuch as hitherto the LORD hath blessed me? And Joshua said ¹⁵ unto them, If thou be a great people, get thee up to the forest, and cut down for thyself there in the land of the Perizzites and of the Rephaim; since the hill country of Ephraim is too narrow for thee. And the children of Joseph said, The ¹⁶ hill country ³is not enough for us: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the land of the valley have chariots of iron, both they who are in Beth-shean and her towns, and they who are in the valley of Jezreel. And Joshua spake unto ¹⁷ the house of Joseph, even to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying, Thou art a great people, and hast great power: thou shalt not have one lot only: but the hill country shall be thine; for ¹⁸ though it is a forest, thou shalt cut it down, and the goings out thereof shall be thine: for thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have chariots of iron, and though they be strong.

³ Heb. *is not found for us*.

And the whole congregation of the children ¹ **18** of Israel assembled themselves together at Shiloh, and set up the tent of meeting there: and the land was subdued before them. And ² there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet divided their

- 3 inheritance. And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye slack to go in to possess the land, which the LORD, the
4 God of your fathers, hath given you? Appoint for you three men for each tribe: and I will send them, and they shall arise, and walk through the land, and describe it according to their inheritance; and they shall come unto me.
5 And they shall divide it into seven portions: Judah shall abide in his border on the south, and the house of Joseph shall abide in their
6 border on the north. And ye shall describe the land into seven portions, and bring *the description* hither to me: and I will cast lots
7 for you here before the LORD our God. For the Levites have no portion among you; for the priesthood of the LORD is their inheritance: and Gad and Reuben and the half tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance beyond Jordan eastward, which Moses the servant
8 of the LORD gave them. And the men arose, and went: and Joshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Go and walk through the land, and describe it, and come again to me, and I will cast lots for you here before the
9 LORD in Shiloh. And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven portions in a book, and they came to
10 Joshua unto the camp at Shiloh. And Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before the LORD: and there Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel according to their divisions.
11 And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their families: and the border of their lot went out between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph.
12 And their border on the north quarter was from Jordan; and the border went up to the

¹ Heb.
shoulder.

¹side of Jericho on the north, and went up through the hill country westward; and the goings out thereof were at the wilderness of Beth-aven. And the border passed along from ¹³ thence to Luz, to the ¹side of Luz (the same is Beth-el), southward; and the border went down to Ataroth-addar, by the mountain that lieth on the south of Beth-horon the nether. And the border was drawn and turned about on ¹⁴ the west quarter southward, from the mountain that lieth before Beth-horon southward; and the goings out thereof were at Kiriath-baal (the same is Kiriath-jearim), a city of the children of Judah: this was the west quarter. And the ¹⁵ south quarter was from the uttermost part of Kiriath-jearim, and the border went out westward, and went out to the fountain of the waters of Nephtoah: and the border went down to ¹⁶ the uttermost part of the mountain that lieth before the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is in the vale of Rephaim northward; and it went down to the valley of Hinnom, to the side of the Jebusite southward, and went down to En-rogel; and it was drawn on the north, ¹⁷ and went out at En-shemesh, and went out to Geliloth, which is over against the ascent of Adummim; and it went down to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben; and it passed along ¹⁸ to the side over against the Arabah northward, and went down unto the Arabah: and the ¹⁹ border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah northward: and the goings out of the border ²⁰ were at the north ²bay of the Salt Sea, at the south end of Jordan: this was the south border. And Jordan was the border of it on the east ²¹ quarter. This was the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, by the borders thereof round about, according to their families. Now the cities of

² Heb. *tongue.*

the tribe of the children of Benjamin according to their families were Jericho, and Beth-
22 hoglah, and Emek-keziz; and Beth-arabah, and
23 Zemaraim, and Beth-el; and Avvim, and Parah,
24 and Ophrah; and Chephar-ammoni, and Ophni,
and Geba; twelve cities with their villages:
25, 26 Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth; and Mizpeh,
27 and Chephirah, and Mozah; and Rekem, and
28 Irpeel, and Taralah; and Zelah, Eleph, and the
Jebusite (the same is Jerusalem), Gibeath, *and*
Kiriath; fourteen cities with their villages. This
is the inheritance of the children of Benjamin
according to their families.

19 1 And the second lot came out for Simeon,
even for the tribe of the children of Simeon
according to their families: and their inheritance
was in the midst of the inheritance of the
2 children of Judah. And they had for their inheritance
Beer-sheba, or Sheba, and Moladah;
3, 4 and Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Ezem; and
5 Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah; and Ziklag,
6 and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susah; and
Beth-lebaath, and Sharuhem; thirteen cities with
7 their villages: Ain, Rimmon, and Ether, and
8 Ashan; four cities with their villages: and all
the villages that were round about these cities
to Baalath-beer, Ramah of the South. This is
the inheritance of the tribe of the children of
9 Simeon according to their families. Out of the
'part of the children of Judah was the inheritance
of the children of Simeon: for the portion of
the children of Judah was too much for them:
therefore the children of Simeon had inheritance
in the midst of their inheritance.

¹ Heb. *line*.

10 And the third lot came up for the children of
Zebulun according to their families: and the
border of their inheritance was unto Sarid:
11 and their border went up westward, even to

Maralah, and reached to Dabbesheth ; and it reached to the brook that is before Jokneam ; and it turned from Sarid eastward toward the sunrising unto the border of Chisloth-tabor ; and it went out to Daberath, and went up to Japhia ; and from thence it passed along eastward to Gath-hepher, to Eth-kazin ; and it went out at Rimmon which stretcheth unto Neah ; and the border turned about it on the north to Hannathon : and the goings out thereof were at the valley of Iphtah-el ; and Kattath, and Nahalal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Beth-lehem : twelve cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families, these cities with their villages.

The fourth lot came out for Issachar, even for the children of Issachar according to their families. And their border was unto Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem ; and Hapharaim, and Shion, and Anaharath ; and Rabbith, and Kishion, and Ebez ; and Remeth, and Engannim, and En-haddah, and Beth-pazzez ; and the border reached to Tabor, and Shahazumah, and Beth-shemesh ; and the goings out of their border were at Jordan : sixteen cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar according to their families, the cities with their villages.

And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families. And their border was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph ; and Allammelech, and Amad, and Mishal ; and it reached to Carmel westward, and to Shihor-libnath ; and it turned toward the sunrising to Beth-dagon, and reached to Zebulun, and to the valley of Iphtah-el northward to Beth-emek and Neiel ; and it went

28 out to Cabul on the left hand, and Ebron, and
 Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, even unto
 29 great Zidon; and the border turned to Ramah,
 and to ¹the fenced city of Tyre; and the border
 turned to Hosah; and the goings out thereof
 were at the sea ²by the region of Achzib:
 30 Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob: twenty
 31 and two cities with their villages. This is the
 inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher
 according to their families, these cities with their
 villages.

¹ Or, *the city*
of Mibzar Zor
 that is,
 the fortress
 of Tyre.

² Or, *from*
Hebel to
Achzib

32 The sixth lot came out for the children of
 Naphtali, even for the children of Naphtali
 33 according to their families. And their border
 was from Heleph, from the ³oak in Zaanannim,
 and Adami-nekeb, and Jabneel, unto Lakkum;
 34 and the goings out thereof were at Jordan: and
 the border turned westward to Aznoth-tabor,
 and went out from thence to Hukkok; and it
 reached to Zebulun on the south, and reached
 to Asher on the west, and to Judah at Jordan
 35 toward the sunrising. And the fenced cities
 were Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Rakkath,
 36 and Chinnereth; and Adamah, and Ramah, and
 37 Hazor; and Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor;
 38 and Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth-
 anath, and Beth-shemesh; nineteen cities with
 39 their villages. This is the inheritance of the
 tribe of the children of Naphtali according to
 their families, the cities with their villages.

³ Or, *oak* (or
terebinth) of
Bezaanannim

40 The seventh lot came out for the tribe of
 the children of Dan according to their families.
 41 And the border of their inheritance was Zorah,
 42 and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh; and Shaalabbin,
 43 and Aijalon, and Ithlah; and Elon, and Timnah,
 44 and Ekron; and Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and
 45 Baalath; and Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-
 46 rimmon; and Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the

¹ Heb. *Japho*.² Or, *from them: and &c.*³ In Judg. xviii. 29, *Laish*.

border over against ¹Joppa. And the border of ⁴⁷
 the children of Dan went out ²beyond them: for
 the children of Dan went up and fought against
³Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge
 of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt there-
 in, and called Leshem, Dan, after the name of
 Dan their father. This is the inheritance of the ⁴⁸
 tribe of the children of Dan according to their
 families, these cities with their villages.

So they made an end of distributing the land ⁴⁹
 for inheritance by the borders thereof; and the
 children of Israel gave an inheritance to Joshua
 the son of Nun in the midst of them: according ⁵⁰
 to the commandment of the LORD they gave
 him the city which he asked, even Timnath-
 serah in the hill country of Ephraim: and he
 built the city, and dwelt therein.

These are the inheritances, which Eleazar ⁵¹
 the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the
 heads of the fathers' *houses* of the tribes of the
 children of Israel, distributed for inheritance by
 lot in Shiloh before the LORD, at the door of
 the tent of meeting. So they made an end of
 dividing the land.

And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying, ¹ **20**
 Speak to the children of Israel, saying, Assign ²
 you the cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto
 you by the hand of Moses: that the manslayer ³
 that killeth any person ⁴unwittingly *and* unawares
 may flee thither: and they shall be unto you
 for a refuge from the avenger of blood. And ⁴
 he shall flee unto one of those cities, and shall
 stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and
 declare his cause in the ears of the elders of
 that city; and they shall ⁵take him into the city
 unto them, and give him a place, that he may
 dwell among them. And if the avenger of ⁵
 blood pursue after him, then they shall not

⁴ Or, *through error*⁵ Heb. *gather*.

- deliver up the manslayer into his hand ; because he smote his neighbour unawares, and hated him not beforetime. And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgement, until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days : then shall the manslayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from whence he fled. And they ¹set apart Kedesh in ²Galilee in the hill country of Naphtali, and Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim, and Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron) in the hill country of Judah. And beyond the Jordan at Jericho eastward, they assigned Bezer in the wilderness in the ³plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh. These were the appointed cities for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever killeth any person ⁴unwittingly might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.
- 21** ¹ Then came near the heads of fathers' houses of the Levites unto Eleazar the priest, and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the heads of fathers' houses of the tribes of the children of Israel ; and they spake unto them at Shiloh in the land of Canaan, saying, The LORD commanded by the hand of Moses to give us cities to dwell in, with the ⁵suburbs thereof for our cattle. And the children of Israel gave unto the Levites out of their inheritance, according to the commandment of the LORD, these cities with their suburbs.
- ⁴ And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites : and the children of Aaron the priest, which were of the Levites, had by lot

¹ Heb. sanctified.² Heb. Galil.³ Or, table land⁴ Or, through error⁵ Or, pasture lands

out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the tribe of the Simeonites, and out of the tribe of Benjamin, thirteen cities.

And the rest of the children of Kohath had by 5 lot out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.

And the children of Gershon had by lot out 6 of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

The children of Merari according to their 7 families had out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.

And the children of Israel gave by lot unto 8 the Levites these cities with their suburbs, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses. And they gave out of the tribe of the children 9 of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are *here* mentioned by name: and they were for the children of 10 Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites, who were of the children of Levi: for theirs was the first lot. And they gave them Kiriath-arba, 11 *which Arba was* the father of ¹Anak, (the same is Hebron,) in the hill country of Judah, with the suburbs thereof round about it. But the fields 12 of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they to Caleb the son of Jephunneh for his possession.

¹ Heb. *Anok*.

And unto the children of Aaron the priest 13 they gave Hebron with her suburbs, the city of refuge for the manslayer, and Libnah with her suburbs; and Jattir with her suburbs, and Esh- 14 temoa with her suburbs; and Holon with her 15 suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs; and Ain 16 with her suburbs, and Juttah with her suburbs,

- and* Beth-shemesh with her suburbs; nine cities
17 out of those two tribes. And out of the tribe
of Benjamin, Gibeon with her suburbs, Geba
18 with her suburbs; Anathoth with her suburbs,
19 and Almon with her suburbs; four cities. All
the cities of the children of Aaron, the priests,
were thirteen cities with their suburbs.
- 20 And the families of the children of Kohath,
the Levites, even the rest of the children of
Kohath, they had the cities of their lot out of
21 the tribe of Ephraim. And they gave them
Shechem with her suburbs in the hill country of
Ephraim, the city of refuge for the manslayer,
22 and Gezer with her suburbs; and Kibzaim with
her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs;
23 four cities. And out of the tribe of Dan,
Elteke with her suburbs, Gibbethon with her
24 suburbs; Aijalon with her suburbs, Gath-rimmon
25 with her suburbs; four cities. And out of
the half tribe of Manasseh, Taanach with her
suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs;
26 two cities. All the cities of the families of the
rest of the children of Kohath were ten with
their suburbs.
- 27 And unto the children of Gershon, of the
families of the Levites, out of the half tribe of
Manasseh *they gave* Golan in Bashan with her
suburbs, the city of refuge for the manslayer;
and Be-eshterah with her suburbs; two cities.
- 28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishion
with her suburbs, Daberath with her suburbs;
29 Jarmuth with her suburbs, En-gannim with
30 her suburbs; four cities. And out of the tribe
of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon with
31 her suburbs; Helkath with her suburbs, and
32 Rehob with her suburbs; four cities. And out
of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with
her suburbs, the city of refuge for the man-

slayer, and Hammoth-dor with her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs; three cities. All 33 the cities of the Gershonites according to their families were thirteen cities with their suburbs.

And unto the families of the children of 34 Merari, the rest of the Levites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Jokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs, Dimnah with her 35 suburbs, Nahalal with her suburbs; four cities.

¹ Verses 36, 37 are not in the Massoretic text, but are found in very many MSS. and in the ancient versions. See also I Chr. vi. 78, 79.

¹ And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her 36 suburbs, and Jahaz with her suburbs, Kedemoth 37 with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs; four cities. And out of the tribe of 38 Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, the city of refuge for the manslayer, and Mahanaim with her suburbs; Heshbon with her suburbs, 39 Jazer with her suburbs; four cities in all. All 40 *these were* the cities of the children of Merari according to their families, even the rest of the families of the Levites; and their lot was twelve cities.

All the cities of the Levites in the midst of 41 the possession of the children of Israel were forty and eight cities with their suburbs. These 42 cities were every one with their suburbs round about them: thus it was with all these cities.

So the LORD gave unto Israel all the land 43 which he sware to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein. And the 44 LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that he sware unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand. There failed not aught of any good thing 45 which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.

Then Joshua called the Reubenites, and the 1 **22** Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and 2

said unto them, Ye have kept all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, and have hearkened unto my voice in all that I
3 commanded you: ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of the LORD
4 your God. And now the LORD your God hath given rest unto your brethren, as he spake unto them: therefore now turn ye, and get you unto your tents, unto the land of your possession, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you
5 beyond Jordan. Only take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your
6 heart and with all your soul. So Joshua blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto their tents.

7 Now to the one half tribe of Manasseh Moses had given *inheritance* in Bashan: but unto the other half gave Joshua among their brethren beyond Jordan westward. Moreover when Joshua sent them away unto their tents, he
8 blessed them, and spake unto them, saying, Return with much wealth unto your tents, and with very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very much raiment: divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren.

9 And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the children of Israel out of Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan, to go unto the land of Gilead, to the land of their possession, whereof they were possessed, according to the commandment of the LORD by

the hand of Moses. And when they came ¹⁰
unto the region about Jordan, that is in the
land of Canaan, the children of Reuben and the
children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh
built there an altar by Jordan, a great altar to
see to. And the children of Israel heard say, ¹¹
Behold, the children of Reuben and the children
of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh have
built an altar in the forefront of the land of
Canaan, in the region about Jordan, on the side
that pertaineth to the children of Israel. And ¹²
when the children of Israel heard of it, the
whole congregation of the children of Israel
gathered themselves together at Shiloh, to go
up against them to war.

And the children of Israel sent unto the ¹³
children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad,
and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the land
of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the
priest; and with him ten princes, one prince ¹⁴
of a fathers' house for each of the tribes of
Israel; and they were every one of them head
of their fathers' houses among the ¹thousands
of Israel. And they came unto the children ¹⁵
of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to
the half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of
Gilead, and they spake with them, saying, Thus ¹⁶
saith the whole congregation of the LORD, What
trespass is this that ye have committed against
the God of Israel, to turn away this day from
following the LORD, in that ye have builded you
an altar, to rebel this day against the LORD? Is ¹⁷
the iniquity of Peor too little for us, from which
we have not cleansed ourselves unto this day,
although there came a plague upon the con-
gregation of the LORD, that ye must turn away ¹⁸
this day from following the LORD? and it will
be, seeing ye rebel to-day against the LORD,

¹ Or, *families*

- that to-morrow he will be wroth with the whole
 19 congregation of Israel. Howbeit, if the land of
 your possession be unclean, then pass ye over
 unto the land of the possession of the LORD,
 wherein the LORD'S tabernacle dwelleth, and
 take possession among us: but rebel not against
 the LORD, nor rebel against us, in building you
 an altar besides the altar of the LORD our God.
 20 Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a
 trespass in the devoted thing, and wrath fell
 upon all the congregation of Israel? and that
 man perished not alone in his iniquity.
 21 Then the children of Reuben and the children
 of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh answered,
 and spake unto the heads of the ¹thousands of
 22 Israel, ²The LORD, the God of gods, the LORD,
 the God of gods, he knoweth, and Israel he
 shall know; if it be in rebellion, or if in tres-
 pass against the LORD, (save thou us not this
 23 day,) that we have built us an altar to turn
 away from following the LORD; or if to offer
 thereon burnt offering or meal offering, or if to
 offer sacrifices of peace offerings thereon, let
 24 the LORD himself require it; and if we have
 not *rather* out of carefulness done this, *and* of
 purpose, saying, In time to come your children
 might speak unto our children, saying, What
 have ye to do with the LORD, the God of Israel?
 25 for the LORD hath made Jordan a border be-
 tween us and you, ye children of Reuben and
 children of Gad; ye have no portion in the
 LORD: so shall your children make our children
 26 cease from fearing the LORD. Therefore we said,
 Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for
 27 burnt offering, nor for sacrifice: but it shall be
 a witness between us and you, and between our
 generations after us, that we may do the service
 of the LORD before him with our burnt offerings,

¹ Or, *families*² Or, *God, even God, the LORD*
 Heb. *El*
Elohim
Jehovah.

and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your children may not say to our children in time to come, Ye have no portion in the LORD. Therefore said we, It shall be, ²⁸ when they so say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we shall say, Behold the pattern of the altar of the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice; but it is a witness between us and you. God forbid that we should rebel against the ²⁹ LORD, and turn away this day from following the LORD, to build an altar for burnt offering, for meal offering, or for sacrifice, besides the altar of the LORD our God that is before his tabernacle.

And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes ³⁰ of the congregation, even the heads of the thousands of Israel which were with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the children of Manasseh spake, it pleased them well. And Phinehas ³¹ the son of Eleazar the priest said unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we know that the LORD is in the midst of us, because ye have not committed this trespass against the LORD: now have ye delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD. And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, ³² and the princes, returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, unto the land of Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them word again. And the thing pleased the children of ³³ Israel; and the children of Israel blessed God, and spake no more of going up against them to war, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and the children of Gad dwelt. And ³⁴

the children of Reuben and the children of Gad called the altar ¹*Ed*: For, *said they*, it is a witness between us that the LORD is God.

¹ That is, Witness.

- 23** ¹ And it came to pass after many days, when the LORD had given rest unto Israel from all their enemies round about, and Joshua was ² old and well stricken in years; that Joshua called for all Israel, for their elders and for their heads, and for their judges and for their officers, and said unto them, I am old and well stricken ³ in years: and ye have seen all that the LORD your God hath done unto all these nations because of you; for the LORD your God, he it ⁴ is that hath fought for you. Behold, I have allotted unto you these nations that remain, to be an inheritance for your tribes, from Jordan, with all the nations that I have cut off, even unto the great sea toward the going down of ⁵ the sun. And the LORD your God, he shall thrust them out from before you, and drive them from out of your sight; and ye shall possess their land, as the LORD your God spake ⁶ unto you. Therefore be ye very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the book of the law of Moses, that ye turn not aside ⁷ therefrom to the right hand or to the left; that ye come not among these nations, these that remain among you; neither make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to swear *by them*, neither serve them, nor bow down your- ⁸ selves unto them: but cleave unto the LORD your God, as ye have done unto this day. ⁹ For the LORD hath driven out from before you great nations and strong: but as for you, no man hath stood before you unto this day. ¹⁰ One man of you ²shall chase a thousand: for the LORD your God, he it is that fighteth for ¹¹ you, as he spake unto you. Take good heed

² Or, *hath chased*

therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the LORD your God. Else if ye do in any wise ¹² go back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, even these that remain among you, and make marriages with them, and go in unto them, and they to you: know for a certainty ¹³ that the LORD your God will no more drive these nations from out of your sight; but they shall be a snare and a trap unto you, and a scourge in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you. And, ¹⁴ behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth: and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the LORD your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, not one thing hath failed thereof. And ¹⁵ it shall come to pass, that as all the good things are come upon you of which the LORD your God spake unto you, so shall the LORD bring upon you all the evil things, until he have destroyed you from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you. When ye ¹⁶ transgress the covenant of the LORD your God, which he commanded you, and go and serve other gods, and bow down yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good land which he hath given unto you.

And Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel ¹ **24** to Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said unto all ² the people, Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, Your fathers dwelt of old time beyond the River, even Terah, the father of Abraham,

and the father of Nahor: and they served
3 other gods. And I took your father Abraham
from beyond the River, and led him throughout
all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed,
4 and gave him Isaac. And I gave unto Isaac
Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto Esau mount
Seir, to possess it; and Jacob and his children
5 went down into Egypt. And I sent Moses
and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according
to that which I did in the midst thereof: and
6 afterward I brought you out. And I brought
your fathers out of Egypt: and ye came unto
the sea; and the Egyptians pursued after your
fathers with chariots and with horsemen unto
7 the Red Sea. And when they cried out unto
the LORD, he put darkness between you and
the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them,
and covered them; and your eyes saw what
I did in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the wilderness
8 many days. And I brought you into the land
of the Amorites, which dwelt beyond Jordan;
and they fought with you: and I gave them
into your hand, and ye possessed their land;
9 and I destroyed them from before you. Then
Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose
and fought against Israel; and he sent and
called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you:
10 but I would not hearken unto Balaam; there-
fore he blessed you still: so I delivered you
11 out of his hand. And ye went over Jordan,
and came unto Jericho: and the men of Jericho
fought against you, the Amorite, and the Periz-
zite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and
the Girgashite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite;
12 and I delivered them into your hand. And I
sent the hornet before you, which drave them
out from before you, even the two kings of the
Amorites; not with thy sword, nor with thy

bow. And I gave you a land whereon thou ¹³
hadst not laboured, and cities which ye built
not, and ye dwell therein; of vineyards and
oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat.
Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in ¹⁴
sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods
which your fathers served beyond the River,
and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD. And ¹⁵
if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD,
choose you this day whom ye will serve;
whether the gods which your fathers served
that were beyond the River, or the gods of the
Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for
me and my house, we will serve the LORD.
And the people answered and said, God forbid ¹⁶
that we should forsake the LORD, to serve
other gods; for the LORD our God, he it is ¹⁷
that brought us and our fathers up out of the
land of Egypt, from the house of ¹bondage,
and that did those great signs in our sight,
and preserved us in all the way wherein we
went, and among all the peoples through the
midst of whom we passed: and the LORD ¹⁸
drave out from before us all the peoples, even
the Amorites which dwelt in the land: there-
fore we also will serve the LORD; for he is
our God. And Joshua said unto the people, ¹⁹
Ye cannot serve the LORD; for he is an holy
God; he is a jealous God; he will not forgive
your transgression nor your sins. If ye for- ²⁰
sake the LORD, and serve strange gods, then
he will turn and do you evil, and consume you,
after that he hath done you good. And the ²¹
people said unto Joshua, Nay; but we will
serve the LORD. And Joshua said unto the ²²
people, Ye are witnesses against yourselves
that ye have chosen you the LORD, to serve
him. And they said, We are witnesses. Now ²³

¹ Heb.
bondmen.

- therefore put away, *said he*, the strange gods which are among you, and incline your heart
- 24 unto the LORD, the God of Israel. And the people said unto Joshua, The LORD our God will we serve, and unto his voice will we hearken.
- 25 So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and set them a statute and an ordinance in Shechem.
- 26 And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God; and he took a great stone, and set it up there under the oak that was ¹by ¹Or, *in*
- 27 the sanctuary of the LORD. And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witness against us; for it hath heard all the words of the LORD which he spake unto us: it shall be therefore a witness against you, lest ye
- 28 deny your God. So Joshua sent the people away, every man unto his inheritance.
- 29 And it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, being an hundred and ten years
- 30 old. And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-serah, which is in the hill country of Ephraim, on the north of the
- 31 mountain of Gaash. And Israel served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that outlived Joshua, and had known all the work of the LORD, that he had wrought
- 32 for Israel. And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem, in the parcel of ground ²which Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for an hundred pieces of ²See Gen. xxxiii. 19.
- 33 money: and they became the inheritance of the children of Joseph. And Eleazar the son of Aaron died; and they buried him in ³the hill of ³Or, *Gibeah of Phinehas* Phinehas his son, which was given him in the hill country of Ephraim.

THE
BOOK OF JUDGES.

AND it came to pass after the death of Joshua, 1 1
that the children of Israel asked of the LORD,
saying, Who shall go up for us first against the
Canaanites, to fight against them? And the 2
LORD said, Judah shall go up: behold, I have
delivered the land into his hand. And Judah 3
said unto Simeon his brother, Come up with
me into my lot, that we may fight against the
Canaanites; and I likewise will go with thee
into thy lot. So Simeon went with him. And 4
Judah went up; and the LORD delivered the
Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand:
and they smote of them in Bezek ten thousand
men. And they found Adoni-bezek in Bezek: 5
and they fought against him, and they smote
the Canaanites and the Perizzites. But Adoni- 6
bezek fled; and they pursued after him, and
caught him, and cut off his thumbs and his
great toes. And Adoni-bezek said, Threescore 7
and ten kings, having their thumbs and their
great toes cut off, gathered *their meat* under
my table: as I have done, so God hath requited
me. And they brought him to Jerusalem, and
he died there.

And the children of Judah fought against 8
Jerusalem, and took it, and smote it with the
edge of the sword, and set the city on fire.

- 9 And afterward the children of Judah went down to fight against the Canaanites that dwelt in the hill country, and in the South, and in the low-
 10 land. ¹And Judah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron: (now the name of Hebron beforetime was Kiriath-arba :) and they
 11 smote Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmi. And from thence he went against the inhabitants of Debir. (Now the name of Debir beforetime
 12 was Kiriath-sepher.) And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kiriath-sepher, and taketh it, to him
 13 will I give Achsah my daughter to wife. And Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother, took it: and he gave him Achsah his
 14 daughter to wife. And it came to pass, when she came *unto him*, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted down from off her ass; and Caleb said unto her, What
 15 wouldest thou? And she said unto him, Give me a ²blessing; for that thou hast ³set me in the land of the South, give me also springs of water. And Caleb gave her the upper springs and the nether springs. ² Or, *present*
³ Or, *given me the land of the South*
 16 And the children of the Kenite, Moses' ⁴brother in law, went up out of ⁵the city of palm trees with the children of Judah into the wilderness of Judah, which is in the south of Arad;
 17 and they went and dwelt with the people. And Judah went with Simeon his brother, and they smote the Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and ⁶utterly destroyed it. And the name of the
 18 city was called ⁷Hormah. Also Judah took Gaza with the border thereof, and Ashkelon with the border thereof, and Ekron with the
 19 border thereof. And the LORD was with Judah; and he drave out *the inhabitants of* the hill country; for he could not drive out the inhabitants of the valley, because they had chariots of
⁴ Or, *father in law*
⁵ See Deut. xxxiv. 3.
⁶ Heb. *devoted*.
⁷ See Num. xxi. 3.

iron. And they gave Hebron unto Caleb, as ²⁰
 Moses had spoken: and he drave out thence
 the three sons of Anak. And the children of ²¹
 Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites that
 inhabited Jerusalem: but the Jebusites dwelt
 with the children of Benjamin in Jerusalem,
 unto this day.

And the house of Joseph, they also went up ²²
 against Beth-el: and the LORD was with them.
 And the house of Joseph sent to spy out Beth-el. ²³
 (Now the name of the city beforetime was
 Luz.) And the watchers saw a man come forth ²⁴
 out of the city, and they said unto him, Shew
 us, we pray thee, the entrance into the city, and
 we will deal kindly with thee. And he shewed ²⁵
 them the entrance into the city, and they smote
 the city with the edge of the sword; but they
 let the man go and all his family. And the ²⁶
 man went into the land of the Hittites, and
 built a city, and called the name thereof Luz:
 which is the name thereof unto this day.

¹ Heb.
 daughters.

And Manasseh did not drive out *the inhabit-* ²⁷
ants of Beth-shean and her ¹towns, nor of
 Taanach and her towns, nor the inhabitants of
 Dor and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Ibleam
 and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Megiddo
 and her towns: but the Canaanites would dwell
 in that land. And it came to pass, when Israel ²⁸
 was waxen strong, that they put the Canaanites
 to taskwork, and did not utterly drive them
 out.

And Ephraim drave not out the Canaanites ²⁹
 that dwelt in Gezer; but the Canaanites dwelt
 in Gezer among them.

² Or, *subject to*
taskwork
 and so vv. 33,
 35.

Zebulun drave not out the inhabitants of ³⁰
 Kitron, nor the inhabitants of Nahalol; but
 the Canaanites dwelt among them, and became
²tributary.

31 Asher drave not out the inhabitants of Acco,
nor the inhabitants of Zidon, nor of Ahlab, nor
of Achzib, nor of Helbah, nor of Aphik, nor of
32 Rehob: but the Asherites dwelt among the
Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: for they
did not drive them out.

33 Naphtali drave not out the inhabitants of
Beth-shemesh, nor the inhabitants of Beth-anath;
but he dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabit-
ants of the land: nevertheless the inhabitants
of Beth-shemesh and of Beth-anath became
tributary unto them.

34 And the Amorites forced the children of Dan
into the hill country: for they would not suffer
35 them to come down to the valley: but the
Amorites would dwell in mount Heres, in Aijalon,
and in Shaalbim: yet the hand of the house of
Joseph prevailed, so that they became tributary.

36 And the border of the Amorites was from the
ascent of Akrabbim, from ¹the rock, and upward.

2 ¹ And ²the angel of the LORD came up from
Gilgal to Bochim. And he said, I made you to
go up out of Egypt, and have brought you unto
the land which I swore unto your fathers; and
I said, I will never break my covenant with

2 you: and ye shall make no covenant with the
inhabitants of this land; ye shall break down
their altars: but ye have not hearkened unto

3 my voice: why have ye done this? Wherefore
I also said, I will not drive them out from be-
fore you; but they ³shall be *'as thorns* in your
sides, and their gods shall be a snare unto you.

4 And it came to pass, when the angel of the
LORD spake these words unto all the children of
Israel, that the people lifted up their voice, and
5 wept. And they called the name of that place

⁵Bochim: and they sacrificed there unto the
LORD.

¹ Or, *Sela*

² Or, *a messenger*

³ Some ancient versions have, *shall be adversaries unto you.*

⁴ See Num. xxxiii. 55.

⁵ That is, *Weepers.*

¹ See Josh.
xxiv. 29—31.

Now when Joshua had sent the people away, 6
the children of Israel went every man unto his
inheritance to possess the land. ¹And the people 7
served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all
the days of the elders that outlived Joshua, who
had seen all the great work of the LORD, that
he had wrought for Israel. And Joshua the 8
son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died,
being an hundred and ten years old. And they 9
buried him in the border of his inheritance in
Timnath-heres, in the hill country of Ephraim,
on the north of the mountain of Gaash. And 10
also all that generation were gathered unto their
fathers: and there arose another generation
after them, which knew not the LORD, nor yet
the work which he had wrought for Israel.

And the children of Israel did that which was 11
evil in the sight of the LORD, and served the
Baalim: and they forsook the LORD, the God 12
of their fathers, which brought them out of the
land of Egypt, and followed other gods, of the
gods of the peoples that were round about them,
and bowed themselves down unto them: and
they provoked the LORD to anger. And they 13
forsook the LORD, and served Baal and the
Ashtaroth. And the anger of the LORD was 14
kindled against Israel, and he delivered them
into the hands of spoilers that spoiled them,
and he sold them into the hands of their enemies
round about, so that they could not any longer
stand before their enemies. Whithersoever they 15
went out, the hand of the LORD was against
them for evil, as the LORD had spoken, and as
the LORD had sworn unto them: and they were
sore distressed. And the LORD raised up judges, 16
which saved them out of the hand of those that
spoiled them. And yet they hearkened not 17
unto their judges, for they went a whoring after

other gods, and bowed themselves down unto them: they turned aside quickly out of the way wherein their fathers walked, obeying the commandments of the LORD; *but* they did not so.

18 And when the LORD raised them up judges, then the LORD was with the judge, and saved them out of the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge: for it repented the LORD because of their groaning by reason of them

19 that oppressed them and vexed them. But it came to pass, when the judge was dead, that they turned back, and dealt more corruptly than their fathers, in following other gods to serve them, and to bow down unto them; ¹they

20 stubborn way. And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel; and he said, Because this nation have transgressed my covenant which I commanded their fathers, and have not heark-

21 ened unto my voice; I also will not henceforth drive out any from before them of the nations

22 which Joshua left when he died: that by them I may prove Israel, whether they will keep the way of the LORD to walk therein, as their

23 fathers did keep it, or not. So the LORD left those nations; without driving them out hastily; neither delivered he them into the hand of Joshua.

3 1 Now these are the nations which the LORD left, to prove Israel by them, even as many as

2 had not known all the wars of Canaan; only that the generations of the children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the least such as beforetime knew nothing thereof;

3 *namely*, the five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the Zidonians, and the Hivites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon unto the entering in of

¹ Heb. *they let nothing fall of their doings.*

Hamath. And they were for to prove Israel ⁴ by them, to know whether they would hearken unto the commandments of the LORD, which he commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses. And the children of Israel dwelt among ¹the ⁵ Canaanites; the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite: and they took their daughters to be their wives, ⁶ and gave their own daughters to their sons, and served their gods.

¹ Or, *the Canaanites, the Hittites &c.*

And the children of Israel did that which ⁷ was evil in the sight of the LORD, and forgot the LORD their God, and served the Baalim and ²the Asheroth. Therefore the anger of ⁸ the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he sold them into the hand of Cushan-rishathaim king of ³Mesopotamia: and the children of Israel served Cushan-rishathaim eight years. And when the children of Israel cried unto ⁹ the LORD, the LORD raised up a saviour to the children of Israel, who saved them, even Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother. And the spirit of the LORD came ¹⁰ upon him, and he judged Israel; and he went out to war, and the LORD delivered Cushan-rishathaim king of ⁴Mesopotamia into his hand: and his hand prevailed against Cushan-rishathaim. And the land had rest forty years. ¹¹ And Othniel the son of Kenaz died.

² See Ex. xxxiv. 13.

³ Heb. *Aram-naharaim.*

⁴ Heb. *Aram.*

And the children of Israel again did that ¹² which was evil in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD strengthened Eglon the king of Moab against Israel, because they had done that which was evil in the sight of the LORD. And he ¹³ gathered unto him the children of Ammon and Amalek; and he went and smote Israel, and they possessed the city of palm trees. And ¹⁴ the children of Israel served Eglon the king of

- 15 Moab eighteen years. But when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised them up a saviour, Ehud the son of Gera, the Benjamite, a man lefthanded: and the children of Israel sent a present by him unto Eglon the
16 king of Moab. And Ehud made him a sword which had two edges, of a cubit length; and he girded it under his raiment upon his right
17 thigh. And he offered the present unto Eglon king of Moab: now Eglon was a very fat man.
18 And when he had made an end of offering the present, he sent away the people that
19 bare the present. But he himself turned back from the ¹quarries that were by Gilgal, and said, I have a secret errand unto thee, O king. And he said, Keep silence. And all that stood by
20 him went out from him. And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting by himself alone in his ²summer parlour. And Ehud said, I have a message from God unto thee. And he arose
21 out of his seat. And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the sword from his right
22 thigh, and thrust it into his belly: and the haft also went in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, for he drew not the sword out of his belly; and ³it came out behind.
23 Then Ehud went forth into the porch, and shut the doors of the parlour upon him, and locked
24 them. Now when he was gone out, his servants came; and they saw, and, behold, the doors of the parlour were locked; and they said, Surely he covereth his feet in his summer chamber.
25 And they tarried till they were ashamed: and, behold, he opened not the doors of the parlour; therefore they took the key, and opened *them*: and, behold, their lord was fallen down dead
26 on the earth. And Ehud escaped while they tarried, and passed beyond the ¹quarries, and

¹ Or, *graven images*

² Heb. *upper chamber of cooling*.

³ Or, *he went out into the antechamber*

escaped unto Seirah. And it came to pass, ²⁷ when he was come, that he blew a trumpet in the hill country of Ephraim, and the children of Israel went down with him from the hill country, and he before them. And he said ²⁸ unto them, Follow after me: for the LORD hath delivered your enemies the Moabites into your hand. And they went down after him, and took the fords of Jordan ¹against the Moabites, and suffered not a man to pass over. And they ²⁹ smote of Moab at that time about ten thousand men, every lusty man, and every man of valour; and there escaped not a man. So Moab was ³⁰ subdued that day under the hand of Israel. And the land had rest fourscore years.

¹ Or, toward
Moab

And after him was Shamgar the son of ³¹ Anath, which smote of the Philistines six hundred men with an ox goad: and he also saved Israel.

And the children of Israel again did that ¹ **4** which was evil in the sight of the LORD, when Ehud was dead. And the LORD sold them ² into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, that reigned in Hazor; the captain of whose host was Sisera, which dwelt in Harosheth of the ²Gentiles. And the children of Israel cried ³ unto the LORD: for he had nine hundred chariots of iron; and twenty years he mightily oppressed the children of Israel.

² Or, nations

Now Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of ⁴ Lappidoth, she judged Israel at that time. And she ³dwelt under the palm tree of Deborah ⁵ between Ramah and Beth-el in the hill country of Ephraim: and the children of Israel came up to her for judgement. And she sent and called ⁶ Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedesh-naphtali, and said unto him, Hath not the LORD, the God of Israel, commanded, *saying*, Go and

³ Or, sat

draw unto mount Tabor, and take with thee
 ten thousand men of the children of Naphtali
 7 and of the children of Zebulun? And I will
 draw unto thee to the river Kishon Sisera, the
 captain of Jabin's army, with his chariots and
 his multitude; and I will deliver him into thine
 8 hand. And Barak said unto her, If thou wilt
 go with me, then I will go: but if thou wilt not
 9 go with me, I will not go. And she said, I
 will surely go with thee: notwithstanding the
 journey that thou takest shall not be for thine
 honour; for the LORD shall sell Sisera into the
 hand of a woman. And Deborah arose, and
 10 went with Barak to Kedesh. And Barak
 called Zebulun and Naphtali together to Ke-
 desh; and there went up ten thousand men
 at his feet: and Deborah went up with him.
 11 Now Heber the Kenite had severed himself
 from ¹the Kenites, even from the children of
 Hobab the ²brother in law of Moses, and had
 pitched his tent as far as the ³oak in ⁴Zaanan-
 12 nim, which is by Kedesh. And they told Sisera
 that Barak the son of Abinoam was gone up to
 13 mount Tabor. And Sisera gathered together
 all his chariots, even nine hundred chariots of
 iron, and all the people that were with him,
 from Harosheth of the ⁵Gentiles, unto the river
 14 Kishon. And Deborah said unto Barak, Up;
 for this is the day in which the LORD hath
 delivered Sisera into thine hand: is not the
 LORD gone out before thee? So Barak went
 down from mount Tabor, and ten thousand
 15 men after him. And the LORD discomfited
 Sisera, and all his chariots, and all his host,
 with the edge of the sword before Barak; and
 Sisera lighted down from his chariot, and fled
 16 away on his feet. But Barak pursued after
 the chariots, and after the host, unto Harosheth

¹ Heb. *Kain*.
 See Num.
 xxiv. 22.

² Or, *father in law*

³ Or, *terebinth*

⁴ See Josh.
 xix. 33.

⁵ Or, *nations*

¹ Or, *nations*

of the ¹Gentiles : and all the host of Sisera fell by the edge of the sword ; there was not a man left.

Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feet to the ¹⁷ tent of Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite : for there was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite. And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said ¹⁸ unto him, Turn in, my lord, turn in to me ; fear not. And he turned in unto her into the tent, and she covered him with a rug. And he ¹⁹ said unto her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water to drink ; for I am thirsty. And she opened a bottle of milk, and gave him drink, and covered him. And he said unto her, ²⁰ Stand in the door of the tent, and it shall be, when any man doth come and inquire of thee, and say, Is there any man here ? that thou shalt say, No. Then Jael Heber's wife took a tent- ²¹ pin, and took an hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the pin into his temples, and it pierced through into the ground ; for he was ²in a deep sleep ; so he swooned and died. And, behold, as Barak ²² pursued Sisera, Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him, Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou seekest. And he came unto her ; and, behold, Sisera lay dead, and the tent-pin was in his temples. So God subdued on ²³ that day Jabin the king of Canaan before the children of Israel. And the hand of the child- ²⁴ ren of Israel prevailed more and more against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

² Or, *in a deep sleep and weary ; so he died*

Then sang Deborah and Barak the son of ¹ 5 Abinoam on that day, saying,

For that the leaders took the lead in Is- ² rael,

- For that the people offered themselves willingly,
 Bless ye the LORD.
- 3 Hear, O ye kings ; give ear, O ye princes ;
 I, *even* I, will sing unto the LORD ;
 I will sing praise to the LORD, the God of Israel.
- 4 LORD, when thou wentest forth out of Seir,
 When thou marchedst out of the field of Edom,
 The earth trembled, the heavens also dropped,
 Yea, the clouds dropped water.
- 5 The mountains ¹flowed down at the presence ¹ Or, *quaked*
 of the LORD,
 Even yon Sinai at the presence of the LORD,
 the God of Israel.
- 6 In the days of Shamgar the son of Anath,
 In the days of Jael, ²the high ways were ² Or, *the caravans ceased*
 unoccupied,
 And the travellers walked through ³byways. ³ Heb. *crooked ways.*
- 7 ⁴The rulers ceased in Israel, they ceased,
 Until that I Deborah arose,
 That I arose a mother in Israel. ⁴ Or, *The villages were unoccupied*
- 8 They chose new gods ;
 Then was war in the gates :
 Was there a shield or spear seen
 Among forty thousand in Israel ?
- 9 My heart is toward the governors of Israel,
⁵That offered themselves willingly among the ⁵ Or, *Ye that offered yourselves willingly among the people, bless &c.*
 people :
 Bless ye the LORD.
- 10 Tell *of it*, ye that ride on white asses,
 Ye that sit on rich carpets,
 And ye that walk by the way.
- 11 ⁶Far from the noise of archers, in the places ⁶ Or, *Because of the voice of the archers ... there let them rehearse*
 of drawing water,
 There shall they rehearse the righteous acts
 of the LORD,

¹ Or, *toward his villages*

Even the righteous acts ¹of his rule in Israel.
Then the people of the LORD went down to the gates.

Awake, awake, Deborah ; 12

Awake, awake, utter a song :

Arise, Barak, and lead thy captivity captive,
thou son of Abinoam.

² Or, *Then made he a remnant to have dominion over the nobles and the people ; the LORD made me have dominion over the mighty*

²Then came down a remnant of the nobles 13
³*and* the people ;

The LORD came down for me ⁴against the mighty.

Out of Ephraim *came down* ⁵they whose root 14
is in Amalek ;

³ Or, as otherwise read, *the people of the LORD came down for me against (or, among) the mighty*

After thee, Benjamin, among thy peoples ;

Out of Machir came down ⁶governors,

And out of Zebulun they that handle ⁷the marshal's staff.

⁴ Or, *among*

And ⁸the princes of Issachar were with 15
Deborah ;

⁵ See ch. xii.

As was Issachar, so was Barak ;

¹⁵.

Into the valley they rushed forth at his feet.

⁶ Or, *law-givers*

By the watercourses of Reuben

⁷ Or, *the staff of the scribe*

There were great resolves of heart.

⁸ Or, *my princes in Issachar*

Why satest thou among the sheepfolds, 16

To hear the pipings for the flocks ?

At the watercourses of Reuben

There were great searchings of heart.

Gilead abode beyond Jordan : 17

And Dan, why did he remain in ships ?

⁹ Or, *shore*

Asher sat still at the ⁹haven of the sea,

And abode by his creeks.

Zebulun was a people that jeopardated their 18
lives unto the death,

And Naphtali, upon the high places of the field.

The kings came and fought ; 19

Then fought the kings of Canaan,

In Taanach by the waters of Megiddo :

- They took no gain of money.
 20 They fought from heaven,
 The stars in their courses fought against
 Sisera.
 21 The river Kishon swept them away,
 That ancient river, the river Kishon.
 O my soul, ¹march on with strength.
 22 Then did the horsehoofs stamp
 By reason of the pransings, the pransings of
 their strong ones. ¹ Or, *thou hast trodden down strength*
 23 Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the LORD,
 Curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof;
 Because they came not to the help of the
 LORD,
 To the help of the LORD ²against the mighty. ² Or, *among*
 24 Blessed ³above women shall Jael be,
 The wife of Heber the Kenite, ³ Or, *of*
 Blessed shall she be ³above women in the
 tent.
 25 He asked water, *and* she gave him milk;
 She brought him butter in a lordly dish.
 26 She put her hand to the ⁴nail,
 And her right hand to the workmen's ham- ⁴ Or, *tent-pin*
 mer;
 And with the hammer she smote Sisera, she
 smote through his head,
 Yea, she pierced and struck through his
 temples.
 27 At her feet he bowed, he fell, he lay:
 At her feet he bowed, he fell:
 Where he bowed, there he fell down ⁵dead. ⁵ Or, *over-powered*
 28 Through the window she looked forth, and
 cried,
 The mother of Sisera *cried* through the
 lattice,
 Why is his chariot so long in coming?
 Why tarry the ⁶wheels of his chariots?
 29 Her wise ladies answered her, ⁶ Heb. *steps*.

¹ Or, (*Yet she repeateth her words unto herself,*)

¹Yea, she returned answer to herself,
Have they not found, have they not divided 30
the spoil?

² Or, *dyled garments*

A damsel, two damsels to every man;
To Sisera a spoil of ²divers colours,
A spoil of ²divers colours of embroidery,
Of ²divers colours of embroidery on both
sides, on the necks of the spoil?

So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: 31
But let them that love him be as the sun
when he goeth forth in his might.

And the land had rest forty years.

And the children of Israel did that which was 1 6
evil in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD
delivered them into the hand of Midian seven
years. And the hand of Midian prevailed 2
against Israel: and because of Midian the
children of Israel made them the dens which
are in the mountains, and the caves, and the
strong holds. And so it was, when Israel had 3
sown, that the Midianites came up, and the
Amalekites, and the children of the east; they
came up against them; and they encamped 4
against them, and destroyed the increase of the
earth, till thou come unto Gaza, and left no
sustenance in Israel, neither sheep, nor ox,
nor ass. For they came up with their cattle 5
and their tents, they came in as locusts for
multitude; both they and their camels were
without number: and they came into the land
to destroy it. And Israel was brought very 6
low because of Midian; and the children of
Israel cried unto the LORD.

And it came to pass, when the children of 7
Israel cried unto the LORD because of Midian,
that the LORD sent a prophet unto the children 8
of Israel: and he said unto them, Thus saith
the LORD, the God of Israel, I brought you up

from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the
9 house of bondage; and I delivered you out of
the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand
of all that oppressed you, and drave them out
10 from before you, and gave you their land; and
I said unto you, I am the LORD your God; ye
shall not fear the gods of the Amorites, in
whose land ye dwell: but ye have not heark-
ened unto my voice.

11 And the angel of the LORD came, and sat
under the ¹oak which was in Ophrah, that per- ¹ Or, *terebinth*
tained unto Joash the Abiezrite: and his son
Gideon was beating out wheat in the winepress,
12 to hide it from the Midianites. And the angel
of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto
him, The LORD is with thee, thou mighty man
13 of valour. And Gideon said unto him, Oh
my lord, if the LORD be with us, why then is
all this befallen us? and where be all his won-
drous works which our fathers told us of, say-
ing, Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt?
but now the LORD hath cast us off, and delivered
14 us into the hand of Midian. And the LORD
²looked upon him, and said, Go in this thy ² Or, *turned*
might, and save Israel from the hand of Midian: *towards*
15 have not I sent thee? And he said unto him,
Oh Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? be-
hold, my ³family is the poorest in Manasseh, ³ Heb.
16 and I am the least in my father's house. And *thousand.*
the LORD said unto him, Surely I will be with
thee, and thou shalt smite the Midianites as
17 one man. And he said unto him, If now I
have found grace in thy sight, then shew me
a sign that it is thou that talkest with me.
18 Depart not hence, I pray thee, until I come
unto thee, and bring forth my ⁴present, and lay ⁴ Or, *offering*
it before thee. And he said, I will tarry until
19 thou come again. And Gideon went in, and

made ready a kid, and unleavened cakes of an ephah of meal: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot, and brought it out unto him under the ¹oak, and presented it. And the angel of God said unto him, Take the ²⁰ flesh and the unleavened cakes, and lay them upon this rock, and pour out the broth. And he did so. Then the angel of the LORD put ²¹ forth the end of the staff that was in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there went up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and the angel of the LORD departed out of his sight. And Gideon saw that he was the angel ²² of the LORD; and Gideon said, Alas, O Lord GOD! forasmuch as I have seen the angel of the LORD face to face. And the LORD said ²³ unto him, Peace be unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die. Then Gideon built an altar ²⁴ there unto the LORD, and called it ²Jehovah-shalom: unto this day it is yet in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.

¹ Or, *tarebinth*

² That is, *The LORD is peace.*

And it came to pass the same night, that ²⁵ the LORD said unto him, Take thy father's bullock, ³even the second bullock of seven years old, and throw down the altar of Baal that thy father hath, and cut down the ⁴Asherah that is ⁵by it: and build an altar unto the LORD thy ²⁶ God upon the top of this strong hold, ⁶in the orderly manner, and take the second bullock, and offer a burnt offering with the wood of the Asherah which thou shalt cut down. Then ²⁷ Gideon took ten men of his servants, and did as the LORD had spoken unto him: and it came to pass, because he feared his father's household and the men of the city, so that he could not do it by day, that he did it by night. And ²⁸ when the men of the city arose early in the

³ Or, *and*

⁴ See Ex. xxxiv. 13.

⁵ Or, *upon*

⁶ Or, *with that pertaining to it*

- morning, behold, the altar of Baal was broken
 down, and the Asherah was cut down that was
¹by it, and the second bullock was offered upon ¹ Or, upon
 29 the altar that was built. And they said one
 to another, Who hath done this thing? And
 when they inquired and asked, they said, Gideon
 30 the son of Joash hath done this thing. Then
 the men of the city said unto Joash, Bring out
 thy son, that he may die: because he hath
 broken down the altar of Baal, and because he
 hath cut down the Asherah that was ¹by it.
 31 And Joash said unto all that stood against him,
 Will ye plead for Baal? or will ye save him?
 he that will plead for him, ²let him be put to ² Or, shall be
 death ³whilst *it is yet* morning: if he be a god, ³ let be till
 let him plead for himself, because one hath ³ morning; if
 32 broken down his altar. Therefore on that day ³ &c.
 he called him ⁴Jerubbaal, saying, Let Baal plead ⁴ Or, before
 against him, because he hath broken down his ⁴ morning
 altar. ⁴ That is, Let
 Baal plead.
 33 Then all the Midianites and the Amalekites
 and the children of the east assembled them-
 selves together; and they passed over, and
 34 pitched in the valley of Jezreel. But the spirit
 of the LORD ⁵came upon Gideon; and he blew ⁵ Heb. clothed
 a trumpet; and Abiezer was gathered together ⁵ itself with.
 35 after him. And he sent messengers throughout
 all Manasseh; and they also were gathered
 together after him: and he sent messengers un-
 to Asher, and unto Zebulun, and unto Naphtali;
 36 and they came up to meet them. And Gideon
 said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine
 37 hand, as thou hast spoken, behold, I will put a
 fleece of wool on the threshing-floor; if there
 be dew on the fleece only, and it be dry upon
 all the ground, then shall I know that thou wilt
 save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast spoken.
 38 And it was so; for he rose up early on the

morrow, and pressed the fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowlful of water. And Gideon said unto God, Let not ³⁹ thine anger be kindled against me, and I will speak but this once : let me prove, I pray thee, but this once with the fleece ; let it now be dry only upon the fleece, and upon all the ground let there be dew. And God did so that night : ⁴⁰ for it was dry upon the fleece only, and there was dew on all the ground.

Then Jerubbaal, who is Gideon, and all the ¹ 7 people that were with him, rose up early, and pitched beside the spring of ¹Harod : and the camp of Midian was on the north side of them, ²by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.

¹ That is,
Trembling.
See ver. 3.

² Or, *from the hill of Moreh onwards in the valley*

And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people ² that are with thee are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me. Now therefore go to, proclaim ³ in the ears of the people, saying, Whosoever is fearful and trembling, let him return and ³depart from mount Gilead. And there returned of the people twenty and two thousand ; and there remained ten thousand.

³ Or, *go round about*

And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people ⁴ are yet too many ; bring them down unto the water, and I will try them for thee there : and it shall be, that of whom I say unto thee, This shall go with thee, the same shall go with thee ; and of whomsoever I say unto thee, This shall not go with thee, the same shall not go. So ⁵ he brought down the people unto the water : and the LORD said unto Gideon, Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself ; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink. And the number of them that ⁶

lapped, putting their hand to their mouth, was three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink
7 water. And the LORD said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the people go every man unto his place.

8 ¹So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and he sent all the men of Israel every man unto his tent, but retained the three hundred men: and the camp of Midian was beneath him in the valley.

¹ According to some ancient versions, *So they took the victuals of the people.*

9 And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Arise, get thee down ²into the camp; for I have delivered it into thine
10 hand. But if thou fear to go down, go thou
11 with Purah thy servant down to the camp: and thou shalt hear what they say; and afterward shall thine hands be strengthened to go down
²into the camp. Then went he down with Purah his servant unto the outermost part of
12 the armed men that were in the camp. And the Midianites and the Amalekites and all the children of the east lay along in the valley like locusts for multitude; and their camels were without number, as the sand which is upon the
13 sea shore for multitude. And when Gideon was come, behold, there was a man that told a dream unto his fellow, and said, Behold, I dreamed a dream, and, lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the camp of Midian, and came unto the tent, and smote it that it fell, and turned it upside down, that the tent lay
14 along. And his fellow answered and said, This is nothing else save the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel: into his hand God hath delivered Midian, and all the host.

² Or, *against*

And it was so, when Gideon heard the ¹⁵ telling of the dream, and the interpretation thereof, that he worshipped; and he returned into the camp of Israel, and said, Arise; for the LORD hath delivered into your hand the host of Midian. And he divided the three hundred ¹⁶ men into three companies, and he put into the hands of all of them trumpets, and empty pitchers, with torches within the pitchers. And ¹⁷ he said unto them, Look on me, and do likewise: and, behold, when I come to the outermost part of the camp, it shall be that, as I do, so shall ye do. When I blow the trumpet, I and ¹⁸ all that are with me, then blow ye the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and say, For the LORD and for Gideon.

So Gideon, and the hundred men that were ¹⁹ with him, came unto the outermost part of the camp in the beginning of the middle watch, when they had but newly set the watch: and they blew the trumpets, and brake in pieces the pitchers that were in their hands. And the ²⁰ three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers, and held the torches in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to blow withal: and they cried, ¹The sword of the LORD and of Gideon. And they stood every ²¹ man in his place round about the camp: and all the host ran; and they shouted, and ²put *them* to flight. And they blew the three hundred ²² trumpets, and the LORD set every man's sword against his fellow, and against all the host: and the host fled as far as Beth-shittah toward Zererah, as far as the ³border of Abel-meholah, by Tabbath. And the men of Israel were ²³ gathered together out of Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manasseh, and pursued after Midian. And Gideon sent messengers ²⁴

¹ Or, *A sword for &c.*

² Another reading is, *fled.*

³ Heb. *lip.*

- throughout all the hill country of Ephraim, saying, Come down against Midian, and take before them the waters, as far as Beth-barah, ¹even Jordan. So all the men of Ephraim were gathered together, and took the waters as far as
- 25 Beth-barah, ¹even Jordan. And they took the two princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb; and they slew Oreb at the rock of Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the winepress of Zeeb, and pursued Midian: and they brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon beyond Jordan.
- 8 1 And the men of Ephraim said unto him, Why hast thou served us thus, that thou calledst us not, when thou wentest to fight with Midian?
- 2 And they did chide with him sharply. And he said unto them, What have I now done in comparison of you? Is not the gleanings of the grapes of Ephraim better than the vintage of
- 3 Abiezer? God hath delivered into your hand the princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what was I able to do in comparison of you? Then their ²anger was abated toward him, when
- 4 he had said that. And Gideon came to Jordan, ³and passed over, he, and the three hundred men that were with him, faint, yet pursuing.
- 5 And he said unto the men of Succoth, Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the people that follow me; for they be faint, and I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, the kings of Midian.
- 6 And the princes of Succoth said, Are the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that
- 7 we should give bread unto thine army? And Gideon said, Therefore when the LORD hath delivered Zebah and Zalmunna into mine hand, then I will ⁴tear your flesh with the thorns of
- 8 the wilderness and with briers. And he went up thence to Penuel, and spake unto them in like manner: and the men of Penuel answered

¹ Or, *and also*² Heb. *spirit*.³ Or, *to pass*⁴ Heb. *thresh*.

him as the men of Succoth had answered. And ⁹ he spake also unto the men of Penuel, saying, When I come again in peace, I will break down this tower.

Now Zebah and Zalmunna were in Karkor, ¹⁰ and their hosts with them, about fifteen thousand men, all that were left of all the host of the children of the east : for there fell an hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword. And Gideon went up by the way of them that ¹¹ dwelt in tents on the east of Nobah and Jogbehah, and smote the host ; for the host was secure. And Zebah and Zalmunna fled ; and ¹² he pursued after them ; and he took the two kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and ¹discomfited all the host. And Gideon the son ¹³ of Joash returned from the battle from the ascent of Heres. And he caught a young man ¹⁴ of the men of Succoth, and inquired of him : and he ²described for him the princes of Succoth, and the elders thereof, seventy and seven men. And he came unto the men of Succoth, and ¹⁵ said, Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, concerning whom ye did taunt me, saying, Are the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thy men that are weary ? And he took the elders of the city, and ¹⁶ thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with them he ³taught the men of Succoth. And he ¹⁷ brake down the tower of Penuel, and slew the men of the city. Then said he unto Zebah and ¹⁸ Zalmunna, What manner of men were they whom ye slew at Tabor ? And they answered, As thou art, so were they ; each one resembled the children of a king. And he said, They ¹⁹ were my brethren, the sons of my mother : as the LORD liveth, if ye had saved them alive, I would not slay you. And he said unto Jether ²⁰

¹ Heb.
terrified.

² Or, *wrote*
down

³ Some ancient
authorities
read, *threshed*.
See ver. 7.

his firstborn, Up, and slay them. But the youth drew not his sword: for he feared, because he
21 was yet a youth. Then Zebah and Zalmunna said, Rise thou, and fall upon us: for as the man is, so is his strength. And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and took the crescents that were on their camels' necks.

22 Then the men of Israel said unto Gideon, Rule thou over us, both thou, and thy son, and thy son's son also: for thou hast saved us
23 out of the hand of Midian. And Gideon said

unto them, I will not rule over you, neither shall my son rule over you: the LORD shall

24 rule over you. And Gideon said unto them, I would desire a request of you, that ye would give me every man the ¹earrings of his spoil.

¹ Or, nose-rings

(For they had golden earrings, because they
25 were Ishmaelites.) And they answered, We will willingly give them. And they spread a

garment, and did cast therein every man the
26 earrings of his spoil. And the weight of

the golden earrings that he requested was a thousand and seven hundred *shekels* of gold;

beside the crescents, and the pendants, and the purple raiment that was on the kings of Midian,

and beside the chains that were about their
27 camels' necks. And Gideon made an ephod

thereof, and put it in his city, even in Ophrah: and all Israel went a whoring after it there: and

it became a snare unto Gideon, and to his house.

28 So Midian was subdued before the children of Israel, and they lifted up their heads no more. And the land had rest forty years in

the days of Gideon.

29 And Jerubbaal the son of Joash went and
30 dwelt in his own house. And Gideon had

threescore and ten sons of his body begotten:
31 for he had many wives. And his concubine

¹ Heb. *set*.

that was in Shechem, she also bare him a son, and he ¹called his name Abimelech. And ³² Gideon the son of Joash died in a good old age, and was buried in the sepulchre of Joash his father, in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.

And it came to pass, as soon as Gideon ³³ was dead, that the children of Israel turned again, and went a whoring after the Baalim, and made Baal-berith their god. And the ³⁴ children of Israel remembered not the LORD their God, who had delivered them out of the hand of all their enemies on every side: nei- ³⁵ ther shewed they kindness to the house of Jerubbaal, *who is* Gideon, according to all the goodness which he had shewed unto Israel.

And Abimelech the son of Jerubbaal went ¹ **9** to Shechem unto his mother's brethren, and spake with them, and with all the family of the house of his mother's father, saying, Speak, ² I pray you, in the ears of all the men of Shechem, Whether is better for you, that all the sons of Jerubbaal, which are threescore and ten persons, rule over you, or that one rule over you? remember also that I am your bone and your flesh. And his mother's brethren spake ³ of him in the ears of all the men of Shechem all these words: and their hearts inclined to follow Abimelech; for they said, He is our brother. And they gave him threescore and ten ⁴ *pieces* of silver out of the house of Baal-berith, wherewith Abimelech hired vain and light fellows, which followed him. And he went ⁵ unto his father's house at Ophrah, and slew his brethren the sons of Jerubbaal, being threescore and ten persons, upon one stone: but Jotham the youngest son of Jerubbaal was left; for he hid himself.

And all the men of Shechem assembled ⁶

- themselves together, and all ¹the house of Millo, and went and made Abimelech king, by the
 7 ²oak of the ³pillar that was in Shechem. And when they told it to Jotham, he went and stood in the top of mount Gerizim, and lifted up his voice, and cried, and said unto them, Hearken unto me, ye men of Shechem, that God may
 8 hearken unto you. The trees went forth on a time to anoint a king over them; and they said unto the olive tree, Reign thou over us.
 9 But the olive tree said unto them, Should I leave my fatness, ⁴wherewith by me they honour God and man, and go to wave to and
 10 fro over the trees? And the trees said to the
 11 fig tree, Come thou, and reign over us. But the fig tree said unto them, Should I leave my sweetness, and my good fruit, and go to wave
 12 to and fro over the trees? And the trees said unto the vine, Come thou, and reign over us.
 13 And the vine said unto them, Should I leave my wine, which cheereth God and man, and go
 14 to wave to and fro over the trees? Then said all the trees unto the ⁵bramble, Come thou, and
 15 reign over us. And the ⁵bramble said unto the trees, If in truth ye anoint me king over you, then come and put your trust in my shadow: and if not, let fire come out of the ⁵bramble,
 16 and devour the cedars of Lebanon. Now therefore, if ye have dealt truly and uprightly, in that ye have made Abimelech king, and if ye have dealt well with Jerubbaal and his house, and have done unto him according
 17 to the deserving of his hands; (for my father fought for you, and ⁶adventured his life, and delivered you out of the hand of Midian:
 18 and ye are risen up against my father's house this day, and have slain his sons, threescore and ten persons, upon one stone, and have made

¹ Or, *Beth-millo*² Or, *terebinth*³ Or, *garrison*⁴ Or, *which God and man honour in me*⁵ Or, *thorn*⁶ Heb. *cast his life before him.*

Abimelech, the son of his maidservant, king over the men of Shechem, because he is your brother;) if ye then have dealt truly and up-¹⁹ rightly with Jerubbaal and with his house this day, then rejoice ye in Abimelech, and let him also rejoice in you: but if not, let fire come out²⁰ from Abimelech, and devour the men of Shechem, and the house of Millo; and let fire come out from the men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo, and devour Abimelech. And²¹ Jotham ran away, and fled, and went to Beer, and dwelt there, for fear of Abimelech his brother.

And Abimelech was prince over Israel three²² years. And God sent an evil spirit between²³ Abimelech and the men of Shechem; and the men of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech: that the violence done to the²⁴ threescore and ten sons of Jerubbaal might come, and that their blood might be laid upon Abimelech their brother, which slew them, and upon the men of Shechem, which strengthened his hands to slay his brethren. And the men²⁵ of Shechem set liers in wait for him on the tops of the mountains, and they robbed all that came along that way by them: and it was told Abimelech.

And Gaal the son of Ebed came with his²⁶ brethren, and went over to Shechem: and the men of Shechem put their trust in him. And²⁷ they went out into the field, and gathered their vineyards, and trode *the grapes*, and ¹held festival, and went into the house of their god, and did eat and drink, and cursed Abimelech. And Gaal the son of Ebed said, Who is²⁸ Abimelech, and who is Shechem, that we should serve him? is not he the son of Jerubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serve ye the men of Hamor

¹ Or, offered a
praise offering

the father of Shechem: but why should we serve
 29 him? And would to God this people were under
 my hand! then would I remove Abimelech.

And he said ¹to Abimelech, Increase thine army, ¹ Or, of
 30 and come out. And when Zebul the ruler of

the city heard the words of Gaal the son of
 31 Ebed, his anger was kindled. And he sent

messengers unto Abimelech ²craftily, saying, Be-
 hold, Gaal the son of Ebed and his brethren are ² Or, in
 come to Shechem; and, behold, they ³constrain *Tormah*

32 the city *to take part* against thee. Now there-
 fore, up by night, thou and the people that ³ Or, oppress
 33 is with thee, and lie in wait in the field: and *the city on thy*
 it shall be, that in the morning, as soon as the *account*

sun is up, thou shalt rise early, and set upon
 the city: and, behold, when he and the people
 that is with him come out against thee, then
 mayest thou do to them ⁴as thou shalt find

occasion. ⁴ Heb. *as thine*
 34 And Abimelech rose up, and all the people
 that were with him, by night, and they laid
 35 wait against Shechem in four companies. And
 Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in
 the entering of the gate of the city: and
 Abimelech rose up, and the people that were
 36 with him, from the ambushment. And when
 Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul, Behold,
 there come people down from the tops of the
 mountains. And Zebul said unto him, Thou
 seest the shadow of the mountains as if they
 37 were men. And Gaal spake again and said,
 See, there come people down by the ⁵middle ⁵ Heb. *navel*.

of the land, and one company cometh by the
 38 way of ⁶the oak of Meonenim. Then said ⁶ That is, *the*
 Zebul unto him, Where is now thy mouth, that *augurs' oak or*
 thou saidst, Who is Abimelech, that we should *terebinth*.

serve him? is not this the people that thou hast
 despised? go out now, I pray, and fight with

them. And Gaal went out before the men of 39
 Shechem, and fought with Abimelech. And 40
 Abimelech chased him, and he fled before him,
 and there fell many wounded, even unto the
 entering of the gate. And Abimelech dwelt 41
 at Arumah: and Zebul drave out Gaal and his
 brethren, that they should not dwell in She-
 chem. And it came to pass on the morrow, 42
 that the people went out into the field; and
 they told Abimelech. And he took the people, 43
 and divided them into three companies, and laid
 wait in the field; and he looked, and, behold,
 the people came forth out of the city; and he
 rose up against them, and smote them. And 44
 Abimelech, and the companies that were with
 him, rushed forward, and stood in the entering
 of the gate of the city: and the two companies
 rushed upon all that were in the field, and
 smote them. And Abimelech fought against 45
 the city all that day; and he took the city,
 and slew the people that was therein: and
 he beat down the city, and sowed it with
 salt.

And when all the men of the tower of She- 46
 chem heard thereof, they entered into the hold
 of the house of ¹El-berith. And it was told 47
 Abimelech that all the men of the tower of
 Shechem were gathered together. And Abi- 48
 melech gat him up to mount Zalmon, he and all
 the people that were with him; and Abimelech
 took ²an axe in his hand, and cut down a bough
 from the trees, and took it up, and laid it on his
 shoulder: and he said unto the people that were
 with him, What ye have seen me do, make haste,
 and do as I have done. And all the people like- 49
 wise cut down every man his bough, and followed
 Abimelech, and put them to the hold, and set
 the hold on fire upon them; so that all the men

¹ See ch. viii.
 33.

² Heb.
the axes.

of the tower of Shechem died also, about a thousand men and women.

50 Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and en-
 51 camped against Thebez, and took it. But
 there was a strong tower within the city, and
 thither fled all the men and women, and all they
 of the city, and shut themselves in, and gat
 52 them up to the roof of the tower. And Abi-
 melech came unto the tower, and fought against
 it, and went hard unto the door of the tower to
 53 burn it with fire. And a certain woman cast
 an upper millstone upon Abimelech's head, and
 54 brake his skull. Then he called hastily unto
 the young man his armourbearer, and said unto
 him, Draw thy sword, and kill me, that men
 say not of me, A woman slew him. And his
 young man thrust him through, and he died.
 55 And when the men of Israel saw that Abimel-
 ech was dead, they departed every man unto
 56 his place. Thus God requited the wickedness
 of Abimelech, which he did unto his father, in
 57 slaying his seventy brethren: and all the wick-
 edness of the men of Shechem did God requite
 upon their heads: and upon them came the
 curse of Jotham the son of Jerubbaal.

10 1 And after Abimelech there arose to save
 Israel Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo,
 a man of Issachar; and he dwelt in Shamir in
 2 the hill country of Ephraim. And he judged
 Israel twenty and three years, and died, and was
 buried in Shamir.

3 And after him arose Jair, the Gileadite; and
 4 he judged Israel twenty and two years. And
 he had thirty sons that rode on thirty ass colts,
 and they had thirty cities, which are called
 1 Havvoth-jair unto this day, which are in the
 5 land of Gilead. And Jair died, and was buried
 in Kamon.

¹ That is, *The towns of Jair*.
 See Num.
 xxxii. 41.

And the children of Israel again did that 6
 which was evil in the sight of the LORD, and
 served the Baalim, and the Ashtaroth, and the
 gods of ¹Syria, and the gods of Zidon, and the
 gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of
 Ammon, and the gods of the Philistines; and
 they forsook the LORD, and served him not.
 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against 7
 Israel, and he sold them into the hand of the
 Philistines, and into the hand of the children
 of Ammon. And they vexed and oppressed 8
 the children of Israel that year: eighteen years
oppressed they all the children of Israel that were
 beyond Jordan in the land of the Amorites,
 which is in Gilead. And the children of Am- 9
 mon passed over Jordan to fight also against
 Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the
 house of Ephraim; so that Israel was sore dis-
 tressed. And the children of Israel cried unto 10
 the LORD, saying, We have sinned against thee,
 even because we have forsaken our God, and
 have served the Baalim. And the LORD said 11
 unto the children of Israel, *Did not I save*
you from the Egyptians, and from the Amor-
 ites, from the children of Ammon, and from
 the Philistines? The Zidonians also, and the 12
 Amalekites, and the ²Maonites, did oppress you;
 and ye cried unto me, and I saved you out of
 their hand. Yet ye have forsaken me, and 13
 served other gods: wherefore I will save you
 no more. Go and cry unto the gods which 14
 ye have chosen; let them save you in the
 time of your distress. And the children of 15
 Israel said unto the LORD, We have sinned:
 do thou unto us whatsoever seemeth good
 unto thee; only deliver us, we pray thee,
 this day. And they put away the strange 16
 gods from among them, and served the LORD:

¹ Heb. *Aram.*

² The Sept.
has, *Midian-*
ites.

and his soul was grieved for the misery of Israel.

17 Then the children of Ammon were gathered together, and encamped in Gilead. And the children of Israel assembled themselves together,
18 and encamped in Mizpah. And the people, the princes of Gilead, said one to another, What man is he that will begin to fight against the children of Ammon? he shall be head over all the inhabitants of Gilead.

11 1 Now Jephthah the Gileadite was a mighty man of valour, and he was the son of an harlot:
2 and Gilead begat Jephthah. And Gilead's wife bare him sons; and when his wife's sons grew up, they drave out Jephthah, and said unto him, Thou shalt not inherit in our father's house; for
3 thou art the son of another woman. Then Jephthah fled from his brethren, and dwelt in the land of Tob: and there were gathered vain fellows to Jephthah, and they went out with him.

4 And it came to pass after a while, that the children of Ammon made war against Israel.
5 And it was so, that when the children of Ammon made war against Israel, the elders of Gilead went to fetch Jephthah out of the land
6 of Tob: and they said unto Jephthah, Come and be our chief, that we may fight with the
7 children of Ammon. And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, Did not ye hate me, and drive me out of my father's house? and why are ye come unto me now when ye are in
8 distress? And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, Therefore are we turned again to thee now, that thou mayest go with us, and fight with the children of Ammon, and thou shalt be our head over all the inhabitants of
9 Gilead. And Jephthah said unto the elders

of Gilead, If ye bring me home again to fight with the children of Ammon, and the LORD deliver them before me, shall I be your head? And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, ¹⁰ The LORD shall be ¹witness between us; surely according to thy word so will we do. Then ¹¹ Jephthah went with the elders of Gilead, and the people made him head and chief over them: and Jephthah spake all his words before the LORD in Mizpah.

¹ Heb. *hearer*.

And Jephthah sent messengers unto the king ¹² of the children of Ammon, saying, What hast thou to do with me, that thou art come unto me to fight against my land? And the king ¹³ of the children of Ammon answered unto the messengers of Jephthah, Because Israel took away my land, when he came up out of Egypt, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and unto Jordan: now therefore restore those *lands* again peaceably. And Jephthah sent messengers again ¹⁴ unto the king of the children of Ammon: and he ¹⁵ said unto him, Thus saith Jephthah: Israel took not away the land of Moab, nor the land of the children of Ammon: but when they came up ¹⁶ from Egypt, and Israel walked through the wilderness unto the Red Sea, and came to Kadesh; then Israel sent messengers unto the ¹⁷ king of Edom, saying, Let me, I pray thee, pass through thy land: but the king of Edom hearkened not. And in like manner he sent unto the king of Moab: but he would not; and Israel abode in Kadesh. Then he walked ¹⁸ through the wilderness, and compassed the land of Edom, and the land of Moab, and came by the east side of the land of Moab, and they pitched on the other side of Arnon; but they came not within the border of Moab, for Arnon was the border of Moab. And Israel sent ¹⁹

messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, the king of Heshbon ; and Israel said unto him, Let us pass, we pray thee, through thy land
20 unto my place. But Sihon trusted not Israel to pass through his border : but Sihon gathered all his people together, and pitched in Jahaz,
21 and fought against Israel. And the LORD, the God of Israel, delivered Sihon and all his people into the hand of Israel, and they smote them : so Israel possessed all the land of the Amorites,
22 the inhabitants of that country. And they possessed all the border of the Amorites, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and from the wilderness even unto Jordan. So now the LORD,
23 the God of Israel, hath dispossessed the Amorites from before his people Israel, and shouldest
24 thou possess them ? Wilt not thou possess that which Chemosh thy god giveth thee to possess ? So whomsoever the LORD our God hath dispossessed from before us, them will we possess.
25 And now art thou any thing better than Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab ? did he ever strive against Israel, or did he ever fight against
26 them ? While Israel dwelt in Heshbon and her ¹towns, and in Aroer and her ¹towns, and in all the cities that are along by the side of Arnon, three hundred years ; wherefore did ye
27 not recover them within that time ? I therefore have not sinned against thee, but thou doest me wrong to war against me : the LORD, the Judge, be judge this day between the children
28 of Israel and the children of Ammon. Howbeit the king of the children of Ammon hearkened not unto the words of Jephthah which he sent him.
29 Then the spirit of the LORD came upon Jephthah, and he passed over Gilead and Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead,

¹ Heb.
daughters.

and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over unto the children of Ammon. And Jephthah vowed ³⁰ a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou wilt indeed deliver the children of Ammon into mine hand, then it shall be, that ¹whatsoever cometh ³¹ forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, it shall be the LORD's, and I will offer it up for a burnt offering. So Jephthah passed ³² over unto the children of Ammon to fight against them; and the LORD delivered them into his hand. And he smote them from ³³ Aroer until thou come to Minnith, even twenty cities, and unto ²Abel-cheramim, with a very great slaughter. So the children of Ammon were subdued before the children of Israel.

¹ Or,
whosoever

² That is, *The
meadow of
vineyards.*

And Jephthah came to Mizpah unto his house, ³⁴ and, behold, his daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and with dances: and she was his only child; beside her he had neither son nor daughter. And it came to pass, when ³⁵ he saw her, that he rent his clothes, and said, Alas, my daughter! thou hast brought me very low, and thou art one of them that trouble me: for I have opened my mouth unto the LORD, and I cannot go back. And she said unto him, ³⁶ My father, thou hast opened thy mouth unto the LORD; do unto me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth; forasmuch as the LORD hath taken vengeance for thee of thine enemies, even of the children of Ammon. And she said unto her father, Let this thing be ³⁷ done for me: let me alone two months, that I may depart and go down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, I and my companions. And he said, Go. And he sent her away for ³⁸ two months: and she departed, she and her companions, and bewailed her virginity upon

39 the mountains. And it came to pass at the end of two months, that she returned unto her father, who did with her according to his vow which he had vowed: and she had not known man. And
40 it was ¹a custom in Israel, that the daughters of Israel went yearly to ²celebrate the daughter of Jephthah the Gileadite four days in a year.

¹ Or, an ordinance

² Or, lament

12 ¹ And the men of Ephraim were gathered together, and passed ³northward; and they said unto Jephthah, Wherefore passedst thou over to fight against the children of Ammon, and didst not call us to go with thee? we will burn
2 thine house upon thee with fire. And Jephthah said unto them, I and my people were at great strife with the children of Ammon; and when I called you, ye saved me not out of their hand.
3 And when I saw that ye saved me not, I put my life in my hand, and passed over against the children of Ammon, and the LORD delivered them into my hand: wherefore then are ye come up unto me this day, to fight against me?
4 Then Jephthah gathered together all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the men of Gilead smote Ephraim, because they said, Ye are fugitives of Ephraim, ye Gileadites, in the midst of Ephraim, *and* in the midst
5 of Manasseh. And the Gileadites took the fords of Jordan ⁴against the Ephraimites: and it was so, that when *any of* the fugitives of Ephraim said, Let me go over, the men of Gilead said unto him, Art thou an Ephraimite? If he said,
6 Nay; then said they unto him, Say now Shibboleth; and he said Sibboleth; for he could not frame to pronounce it right; then they laid hold on him, and slew him at the fords of Jordan: and there fell at that time of Ephraim forty and two thousand.

³ Or, to Zaphon

⁴ Or, toward Ephraim

7 And Jephthah judged Israel six years. Then

died Jephthah the Gileadite, and was buried in *one of* the cities of Gilead.

And after him Ibzan of Beth-lehem judged 8 Israel. And he had thirty sons, and thirty 9 daughters he sent abroad, and thirty daughters he brought in from abroad for his sons. And he judged Israel seven years. And Ibzan died, 10 and was buried at Beth-lehem.

And after him Elon the Zebulunite judged 11 Israel; and he judged Israel ten years. And 12 Elon the Zebulunite died, and was buried in Aijalon in the land of Zebulun.

And after him Abdon the son of Hillel the 13 Pirathonite judged Israel. And he had forty 14 sons and thirty sons' sons, that rode on three-score and ten ass colts: and he judged Israel eight years. And Abdon the son of Hillel the 15 Pirathonite died, and was buried in Pirathon in the land of Ephraim, in the hill country of the Amalekites.

And the children of Israel again did that 1 13 which was evil in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD delivered them into the hand of the Philistines forty years.

And there was a certain man of Zorah, of 2 the family of the Danites, whose name was Manoah; and his wife was barren, and bare not. And the angel of the LORD appeared unto the 3 woman, and said unto her, Behold now, thou art barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceive, and bear a son. Now therefore beware, 4 I pray thee, and drink no wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing: for, lo, 5 thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and no razor shall come upon his head: for the child shall be a ¹Nazirite unto God from the womb: and he shall begin to save Israel out of the hand of the Philistines. Then the woman came 6

¹ See Num. vi. 2.

and told her husband, saying, A man of God came unto me, and his countenance was like the countenance of the angel of God, very terrible; and I asked him not whence he was, neither
 7 told he me his name: but he said unto me, Behold, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing: for the child shall be a Nazirite unto God from the womb to
 8 the day of his death. Then Manoah intreated the LORD, and said, Oh Lord, I pray thee, let the man of God whom thou didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do
 9 unto the child that shall be born. And God hearkened to the voice of Manoah; and the angel of God came again unto the woman as she sat in the field: but Manoah her husband
 10 was not with her. And the woman made haste, and ran, and told her husband, and said unto him, Behold, the man hath appeared unto me,
 11 that came unto me the *other* day. And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and came to the man, and said unto him, Art thou the man that spakest unto the woman? And he said, I am.
 12 And Manoah said, ¹Now let thy words come to pass: what shall be the ²manner of the child,
 13 and ³*what shall be* his work? And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Of all that I
 14 said unto the woman let her beware. She may not eat of any thing that cometh of the
⁴vine, neither let her drink wine or strong drink, nor eat any unclean thing; all that I
 15 commanded her let her observe. And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, I pray thee, let us detain thee, that we may make ready
 16 a kid for thee. And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Though thou detain me, I will not eat of thy bread: and if thou wilt

¹ Or, *Now when thy words come to pass, what &c.*

² Or, *ordering*

³ Or, *how shall we do unto him*

⁴ Or, *grape-vine*
 See Num. vi. 4.

make ready a burnt offering, thou must offer it unto the LORD. For Manoah knew not that he was the angel of the LORD. And Manoah ¹⁷ said unto the angel of the LORD, What is thy name, that when thy words come to pass we may do thee honour? And the angel of the ¹⁸ LORD said unto him, Wherefore askest thou after my name, seeing it is ¹wonderful? So ¹⁹ Manoah took the kid with the meal offering, and offered it upon the rock unto the LORD: and *the angel* did wondrously, and Manoah and his wife looked on. For it came to pass, when ²⁰ the flame went up toward heaven from off the altar, that the angel of the LORD ascended in the flame of the altar: and Manoah and his wife looked on; and they fell on their faces to the ground. But the angel of the LORD did no ²¹ more appear to Manoah or to his wife. Then Manoah knew that he was the angel of the LORD. And Manoah said unto his wife, We ²² shall surely die, because we have seen God. But his wife said unto him, If the LORD were ²³ pleased to kill us, he would not have received a burnt offering and a meal offering at our hand, neither would he have shewed us all these things, nor would at this time have told such things as these. And the woman bare ²⁴ a son, and called his name ²Samson: and the child grew, and the LORD blessed him. And ²⁵ the spirit of the LORD began to move him in ³Mahaneh-dan, between Zorah and Eshtaol.

¹ Or, *secret*

² Heb. *Shimshon*.

³ That is, *The camp of Dan*. See ch. xviii. 12.

And Samson went down to Timnah, and ¹ **14** saw a woman in Timnah of the daughters of the Philistines. And he came up, and told his ² father and his mother, and said, I have seen a woman in Timnah of the daughters of the Philistines: now therefore get her for me to wife. Then his father and his mother said ³

unto him, Is there never a woman among the daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the uncircumcised Philistines? And Samson said unto his father, Get her for me; for she pleaseth
4 me well. But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the LORD; for he sought an occasion against the Philistines. Now at that time the Philistines had rule over Israel.

5 Then went Samson down, and his father and his mother, to Timnah, and came to the vineyards of Timnah: and, behold, a young lion
6 roared against him. And the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his
7 mother what he had done. And he went down, and talked with the woman; and she pleased
8 Samson well. And after a while he returned to take her, and he turned aside to see the carcase of the lion: and, behold, there was a swarm of bees in the body of the lion, and honey.
9 And he took it into his hands, and went on, eating as he went, and he came to his father and mother, and gave unto them, and they did eat: but he told them not that he had taken
10 the honey out of the body of the lion. And his father went down unto the woman: and Samson made there a feast; for so used the
11 young men to do. And it came to pass, when they saw him, that they brought thirty com-
12 panions to be with him. And Samson said unto them, Let me now put forth a riddle unto you: if ye can declare it me within the seven days of the feast, and find it out, then I will give you thirty linen garments and thirty changes
13 of raiment: but if ye cannot declare it me, then shall ye give me thirty linen garments and

thirty changes of raiment. And they said unto him, Put forth thy riddle, that we may hear it. And he said unto them,

14

Out of the eater came forth meat,

And out of the strong came forth sweetness.

¹ The Sept. and Syriac have, *fourth*.

And they could not in three days declare the riddle. And it came to pass on the ¹seventh 15

² Or, *take that we have*

day, that they said unto Samson's wife, Entice thy husband, that he may declare unto us the riddle, lest we burn thee and thy father's house with fire: have ye called us to ²impoverish us? is it not *so*? And Samson's wife wept before 16 him, and said, Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me not: thou hast put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and hast not told it me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told it my father nor my mother, and shall I tell thee? And she wept before 17 him the seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to pass on the seventh day, that he told her, because she pressed him sore: and she told the riddle to the children of her people. And the men of the city said unto him on the 18 seventh day before the sun went down, What is sweeter than honey? and what is stronger than a lion? And he said unto them,

If ye had not plowed with my heifer.

Ye had not found out my riddle.

³ Or, *apparel*

And the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon 19 him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and smote thirty men of them, and took their ³spoil, and gave the changes *of raiment* unto them that declared the riddle. And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house. But 20 Samson's wife was *given* to his companion, whom he had used as his friend.

But it came to pass after a while, in the time 1 **15**
of wheat harvest, that Samson visited his wife

with a kid ; and he said, I will go in to my wife into the chamber. But her father would not
 2 suffer him to go in. And her father said, I verily thought that thou hadst utterly hated her; therefore I gave her to thy companion : is not her younger sister fairer than she? take her, I
 3 pray thee, instead of her. And Samson said unto them, This time ¹shall I be blameless in regard of the Philistines, when I do them a
 4 mischief. And Samson went and caught three hundred ²foxes, and took ³firebrands, and turned tail to tail, and put a firebrand in the midst
 5 between every two tails. And when he had set the brands on fire, he let them go into the standing corn of the Philistines, and burnt up both the shocks and the standing corn, and also
 6 the oliveyards. Then the Philistines said, Who hath done this? And they said, Samson, the son in law of the Timnite, because he hath taken his wife, and given her to his companion. And the Philistines came up, and burnt her and her
 7 father with fire. And Samson said unto them, If ye do after this manner, surely I will be avenged of you, and after that I will cease.
 8 And he smote them hip and thigh with a great slaughter : and he went down and dwelt in the cleft of the rock of Etam.
 9 Then the Philistines went up, and pitched in
 10 Judah, and spread themselves in Lehi. And the men of Judah said, Why are ye come up against us? And they said, To bind Samson are we come up, to do to him as he hath done
 11 to us. Then three thousand men of Judah went down to the cleft of the rock of Etam, and said to Samson, Knowest thou not that the Philistines are rulers over us? what then is this that thou hast done unto us? And he said unto them, As they did unto me, so have I done

¹ Or, *shall I be quits with*

² Or, *jackals*

³ Or, *torches*

unto them. And they said unto him, We are ¹²
 come down to bind thee, that we may deliver
 thee into the hand of the Philistines. And
 Samson said unto them, Swear unto me, that ye
 will not fall upon me yourselves. And they ¹³
 spake unto him, saying, No; but we will bind
 thee fast, and deliver thee into their hand: but
 surely we will not kill thee. And they bound
 him with two new ropes, and brought him up
 from the rock. When he came unto Lehi, the ¹⁴
 Philistines shouted as they met him: and the
 spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him,
 and the ropes that were upon his arms became
 as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands
¹dropped from off his hands. And he found a ¹⁵
 new jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand,
 and took it, and smote a thousand men there-
 with. And Samson said, ¹⁶

¹ Heb. were
melted.

² Heb. an
heap, two
heaps.

With the jawbone of an ass, ²heaps upon
 heaps,

With the jawbone of an ass have I smitten
 a thousand men.

And it came to pass, when he had made an ¹⁷
 end of speaking, that he cast away the jawbone
 out of his hand; and ³that place was called
⁴Ramath-lehi. And he was sore athirst, and ¹⁸
 called on the LORD, and said, Thou hast given
 this great deliverance by the hand of thy serv-
 ant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall
 into the hand of the uncircumcised. But God ¹⁹
 clave the hollow place that is in ⁵Lehi, and
 there came water thereout; and when he had
 drunk, his spirit came again, and he revived:
 wherefore ⁶the name thereof was called ⁷En-
 hakkore, which is in Lehi, unto this day. And ²⁰
 he judged Israel in the days of the Philistines
 twenty years.

³ Or, he called
that place

⁴ That is, The
hill of the
jawbone.

⁵ Or, the jaw-
bone

⁶ Or, he called
the name
thereof

⁷ That is, The
spring of him
that called.

And Samson went to Gaza, and saw there an ¹ **16**

- 2 harlot, and went in unto her. *And it was told*
 the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither.
 And they compassed him in, and laid wait for
 him all night in the gate of the city, and
 were quiet all the night, saying, ¹*Let be till*
 3 morning light, then we will kill him. And ¹*Or, When*
 Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, ^(or Before)
 and laid hold of the doors of the gate of the ^{the morning}
 city, and the two posts, and plucked them up, ^{is light}
 bar and all, and put them upon his shoulders,
 and carried them up to the top of the mountain
 that is before Hebron.
- 4 And it came to pass afterward, that he loved
 a woman. ²*in the valley of Sorek, whose name*
 5 was Delilah. And the lords of the Philistines ²*Or, by the*
 came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, ^{brook}
 and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by
 what means we may prevail against him, that
 we may bind him to ³*afflict him: and we will*
 give thee every one of us eleven hundred ³*Or, humble*
 6 of silver. And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me,
 I pray thee, wherein thy great strength lieth,
 and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict
 7 thee. And Samson said unto her, If they bind
 me with seven ⁴*green withes that were never*
 dried, then shall I become weak, and be as ⁴*Or, new bow-*
 8 another man. Then the lords of the Philistines ^{strings}
 brought up to her seven ⁴*green withes which*
 had not been dried, and she bound him with
 9 them. Now she had liers in wait abiding in
 the inner chamber. And she said unto him,
 The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And
 he brake the withes, as a string of tow is broken
 when it ⁵*toucheth the fire. So his strength was*
 10 not known. And Delilah said unto Samson, ⁵*Heb.*
 Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me ^{smelleth.}
 lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou
 11 mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If

they only bind me with new ropes wherewith no work hath been done, then shall I become weak, and be as another man. So Delilah took ¹² new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And the liers in wait were abiding in the inner chamber. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread. And Delilah said unto Samson, ¹³ Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web. And she ¹⁴ fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and plucked away the pin of the beam, and the web. And she ¹⁵ said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength lieth. And it ¹⁶ came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, that his soul was vexed unto death. And he told her all his ¹⁷ heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazirite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man. And when Delilah saw that he had told ¹⁸ her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for ¹he hath told me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought the money in their hand. And ¹⁹ she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for ²a man, and shaved off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him. And she said, ²⁰

¹ Or, according to another reading, *he had told her*

² Or, *the men*

The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times, and shake myself. But he wist not that the LORD was departed from
21 him. And the Philistines laid hold on him, and put out his eyes; and they brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass;
22 and he did grind in the prison house. Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven.

23 And the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice: for they said, Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into
24 our hand. And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath delivered into our hand our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which hath slain many
25 of us. And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made sport before them: and they set him
26 between the pillars. And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house resteth,
27 that I may lean upon them. Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines were there; and there were upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.

28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may ¹be at once avenged of the
29 Philistines for my two eyes. And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house rested, and leaned upon them, the one

¹ Or, be avenged... for one of my two eyes

with his right hand, and the other with his left. And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. ³⁰ And he bowed himself with all his might ; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that were therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life. Then his brethren and all ³¹ the house of his father came down, and took him, and brought him up, and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the buryingplace of Manoah his father. And he judged Israel twenty years.

And there was a man of the hill country of ¹ 17 Ephraim, whose name was Micah. And he ² said unto his mother, The eleven hundred *pieces* of silver that were taken from thee, about which thou didst utter ¹a curse, and didst also speak it in mine ears, behold, the silver is with me ; I took it. And his mother said, Blessed be my son of the LORD. And he restored the ³ eleven hundred *pieces* of silver to his mother, and his mother said, I verily ²dedicate the silver unto the LORD from my hand for my son, to make a graven image and a molten image : now therefore I will restore it unto thee. And ⁴ when he restored the money unto his mother, his mother took two hundred *pieces* of silver, and gave them to the founder, who made thereof a graven image and a molten image : and it was in the house of Micah. And the man ⁵ Micah had an house of ³gods, and he made an ephod, and teraphim, and ⁴consecrated one of his sons, who became his priest. In those days ⁶ there was no king in Israel : every man did that which was right in his own eyes.

And there was a young man out of Beth- ⁷ lehem-judah, of the family of Judah, who was a Levite, and he sojourned there. And the man ⁸

¹ Or, *an adjuration*

² Or, *had dedicated*

³ Or, *God*

⁴ Heb. *filled the hand of.*

- departed out of the city, out of Beth-lehem-judah, to sojourn where he could find *a place*: and he came to the hill country of Ephraim to
9 the house of Micah, as he journeyed. And Micah said unto him, Whence comest thou? And he said unto him, I am a Levite of Beth-lehem-judah, and I go to sojourn where I may
10 find *a place*. And Micah said unto him, Dwell with me, and be unto me a father and a priest, and I will give thee ten *pieces* of silver by the year, and a suit of apparel, and thy victuals.
11 So the Levite went in. And the Levite was content to dwell with the man; and the young
12 man was unto him as one of his sons. And Micah consecrated the Levite, and the young man became his priest, and was in the house of
13 Micah. Then said Micah, Now know I that the LORD will do me good, seeing I have a Levite to my priest.
- 18 1 In those days there was no king in Israel: and in those days the tribe of the Danites sought them an inheritance to dwell in; for unto that day *their* inheritance had not fallen
2 unto them among the tribes of Israel. And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their whole number, men of valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, to spy out the land, and to search it; and they said unto them, Go, search the land: and they came to the hill country of Ephraim, unto the house of Micah,
3 and lodged there. When they were by the house of Micah, they knew the voice of the young man the Levite: and they turned aside thither, and said unto him, Who brought thee hither? and what doest thou in this place? and
4 what hast thou here? And he said unto them, Thus and thus hath Micah dealt with me, and he hath hired me, and I am become his priest.

And they said unto him, Ask counsel, we pray 5 thee, of God, that we may know whether our way which we go shall be prosperous. And 6 the priest said unto them, Go in peace: before the LORD is your way wherein ye go.

¹ Heb. *power of restraint.*

² Or, *that might do any hurt*

Then the five men departed, and came to 7 Laish, and saw the people that were therein, how they dwelt in security, after the manner of the Zidonians, quiet and secure; for there was none in the land, possessing ¹authority, ²that might put *them* to shame in any thing, and they were far from the Zidonians, and had no dealings with any man. And they came unto their 8 brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and their brethren said unto them, What *say* ye? And they 9 said, Arise, and let us go up against them: for we have seen the land, and, behold, it is very good: and are ye still? be not slothful to go and to enter in to possess the land. When ye ¹⁰ go, ye shall come unto a people secure, and the land is large: for God hath given it into your hand; a place where there is no want of any thing that is in the earth.

³ See ch. xiii.

^{25.}

And there set forth from thence of the family ¹¹ of the Danites, out of Zorah and out of Eshtaol, six hundred men girt with weapons of war. And they went up, and encamped in Kiriath-¹² yearim, in Judah: wherefore they called that place ³Mahaneh-dan, unto this day: behold, it is behind Kiriath-yearim. And they passed ¹³ thence unto the hill country of Ephraim, and came unto the house of Micah. Then answered ¹⁴ the five men that went to spy out the country of Laish, and said unto their brethren, Do ye know that there is in these houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a graven image, and a molten image? now therefore consider what ye have to do. And they turned aside thither, and came ¹⁵

to the house of the young man the Levite, even unto the house of Micah, and asked him
16 of his welfare. And the six hundred men girt with their weapons of war, who were of the children of Dan, stood by the entering of the
17 gate. And the five men that went to spy out the land went up, and came in thither, and took the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood by the entering of the gate with the six
18 hundred men girt with weapons of war. And when these went into Micah's house, and fetched the graven image, the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image, the priest said unto them,
19 What do ye? And they said unto him, Hold thy peace, lay thine hand upon thy mouth, and go with us, and be to us a father and a priest: is it better for thee to be priest unto the house of one man, or to be priest unto a tribe and a
20 family in Israel? And the priest's heart was glad, and he took the ephod, and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst of
21 the people. So they turned and departed, and put the little ones and the cattle and the goods
22 before them. When they were a good way from the house of Micah, the men that were in the houses near to Micah's house were gathered together, and overtook the children of Dan.
23 And they cried unto the children of Dan. And they turned their faces, and said unto Micah, What aileth thee, ¹that thou comest with such a
24 company? And he said, Ye have taken away my gods which I made, and the priest, and are gone away, and what have I more? and how
25 then say ye unto me, What aileth thee? And the children of Dan said unto him, Let not thy voice be heard among us, lest ²angry fellows
fall upon you, and thou lose thy life, with the

¹ Heb. *that thou art gathered together.*

² Heb. *bitter of soul.*

lives of thy household. And the children of ²⁶
 Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that
 they were too strong for him, he turned and
 went back unto his house. And they took that ²⁷
 which Micah had made, and the priest which he
 had, and came unto Laish, unto a people quiet
 and secure, and smote them with the edge of
 the sword; and they burnt the city with fire.
 And there was no deliverer, because it was far ²⁸
 from Zidon, and they had no dealings with
 any man; and it was in the valley that lieth
 by Beth-rehob. And they built the city, and
 dwelt therein. And they called the name of the ²⁹
 city Dan, after the name of Dan their father,
 who was born unto Israel: howbeit the name of
 the city was Laish at the first. And the child- ³⁰
 ren of Dan set up for themselves the graven
 image: and Jonathan, the son of Gershom, the
 son of ¹Moses, he and his sons were priests to
 the tribe of the Danites until the day of the
 captivity of the land. So they set them up ³¹
 Micah's graven image which he made, all the
 time that the house of God was in Shiloh.

¹ Another
 reading is,
Manasseh.

And it came to pass in those days, when ¹ **19**
 there was no king in Israel, that there was a
 certain Levite sojourning on the farther side of
 the hill country of Ephraim, who took to him
 a concubine out of Beth-lehem-judah. And his ²
 concubine played the harlot against him, and
 went away from him unto her father's house
 to Beth-lehem-judah, and was there the space
 of four months. And her husband arose, and ³
 went after her, to speak ²kindly unto her, to
 bring ³her again, having his servant with him,
 and a couple of asses: and she brought him
 into her father's house: and when the father of
 the damsel saw him, he rejoiced to meet him.
 And his father in law, the damsel's father, ⁴

² Heb. *to her*
heart.

³ Another
 reading is, *it*,
 that is, her
 heart.

- retained him; and he abode with him three days: so they did eat and drink, and lodged
 5 there. And it came to pass on the fourth day, that they arose early in the morning, and he rose up to depart: and the damsel's father said unto his son in law, Comfort thine heart with a morsel of bread, and afterward ye shall go your
 6 way. So they sat down, and did eat and drink, both of them together: and the damsel's father said unto the man, Be content, I pray thee, and tarry all night, and let thine heart be merry.
 7 And the man rose up to depart; but his father in law urged him, and he lodged there again.
 8 And he arose early in the morning on the fifth day to depart; and the damsel's father said, Comfort thine heart, I pray thee, and tarry ye until the day declineth; and they did eat, both
 9 of them. And when the man rose up to depart, he, and his concubine, and his servant, his father in law, the damsel's father, said unto him, Behold, now the day draweth toward evening, I pray you tarry all night: behold, the day groweth to an end, lodge here, that thine heart may be merry; and to-morrow get you
 10 early on your way, that thou mayest go ¹home. ¹ Heb. *to thy tents.*
 But the man would not tarry that night, but he rose up and departed, and came over against Jebus (the same is Jerusalem): and there were with him a couple of asses saddled; his concubine also was with him. When they were by
 11 Jebus, the day was far spent; and the servant said unto his master, Come, I pray thee, and let us turn aside into this city of the Jebusites,
 12 and lodge in it. And his master said unto him, We will not turn aside into the city of a stranger, ²that is not of the children of Israel; ² Or, *where there are none of the children of Israel*
 13 but we will pass over to Gibeah. And he said unto his servant, Come and let us draw near

to one of these places; and we will lodge in Gibeah, or in Ramah. So they passed on and ¹⁴ went their way; and the sun went down upon them near to Gibeah, which belongeth to Benjamin. And they turned aside thither, to go in ¹⁵ to lodge in Gibeah: and he went in, and sat him down in the street of the city: for there was no man that took them into his house to lodge. And, behold, there came an old man ¹⁶ from his work out of the field at even; now the man was of the hill country of Ephraim, and he sojourned in Gibeah: but the men of the place were Benjamites. And he lifted up his eyes, ¹⁷ and saw the wayfaring man in the street of the city; and the old man said, Whither goest thou? and whence comest thou? And he said unto ¹⁸ him, We are passing from Beth-lehem-judah unto the farther side of the hill country of Ephraim; from thence am I, and I went to Beth-lehem-judah: ¹and I am *now* going to the house of the LORD; and there is no man that taketh me into his house. Yet there is both straw and ¹⁹ provender for our asses; and there is bread and wine also for me, and for thy handmaid, and for the young man which is with thy servants: there is no want of any thing. And the old man ²⁰ said, Peace be unto thee; howsoever let all thy wants lie upon me; only lodge not in the street. So he brought him into his house, and gave ²¹ the asses fodder: and they washed their feet, and did eat and drink. As they were making ²² their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, certain ²sons of ³Belial, beset the house round about, beating at the door; and they spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him. And the man, the ²³ master of the house, went out unto them, and

¹ The Sept. has, *and I am going to my house.*

² Or, *base fellows*

³ That is, *worthlessness.*

- said unto them, Nay, my brethren, I pray you, do not so wickedly; seeing that this man is
- 24 come into mine house, do not this folly. Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not
- 25 any such folly. But the men would not hearken to him: so the man laid hold on his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring,
- 26 they let her go. Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord was, 'till it
- 27 was light. And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down at the door of the house, with her hands upon the threshold.
- 28 And he said unto her, Up, and let us be going; but none answered: then he took her up upon the ass; and the man rose up, and gat him unto
- 29 his place. And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid hold on his concubine, and divided her, ¹limb by limb, into twelve pieces, and sent her throughout all the
- 30 borders of Israel. And it was so, that all that saw it said, There was no such deed done nor seen from the day that the children of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt unto this day: consider of it, take counsel, and speak.
- 20 1 Then all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was assembled as one man, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, with the
- 2 land of Gilead, unto the LORD at Mizpah. And the ²chiefs of all the people, ³even of all the tribes of Israel, presented themselves in the

¹ Heb. *according to her bones.*

² Heb. *corners.*

³ Or, *even all*

assembly of the people of God, four hundred thousand footmen that drew sword. (Now the 3 children of Benjamin heard that the children of Israel were gone up to Mizpah.) And the children of Israel said, Tell us, how was this wickedness brought to pass? And the 4 Levite, the husband of the woman that was murdered, answered and said, I came into Gibeah that belongeth to Benjamin, I and my concubine, to lodge. And the men of Gibeah 5 rose against me, and beset the house round about upon me by night; me they thought to have slain, and my concubine they forced, and she is dead. And I took my concubine, 6 and cut her in pieces, and sent her throughout all the country of the inheritance of Israel: for they have committed lewdness and folly in Israel. Behold, ye children of Israel, all of 7 you, give here your advice and counsel. And 8 all the people arose as one man, saying, We will not any of us go to his tent, neither will we any of us turn unto his house. But now 9 this is the thing which we will do to Gibeah; *we will go up* against it by lot; and we will 10 take ten men of an hundred throughout all the tribes of Israel, and an hundred of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to fetch victual for the people, that they may do, when they come to ¹Gibeah of Benjamin, according to all the folly that they have wrought in Israel. So all the men of Israel were gathered against 11 the city, knit together as one man.

¹ Heb. *Geba*.

² Heb. *tribes*.
See Num. iv.
18, 1 Sam. ix.
21.

³ Or, *base fellows*

⁴ That is, *worthlessness*.

And the tribes of Israel sent men through 12 all the ²tribe of Benjamin, saying, What wickedness is this that is come to pass among you? Now therefore deliver up the men, the ³sons of 13 ⁴Belial, which are in Gibeah, that we may put them to death, and put away evil from Israel.

- But ¹Benjamin would not hearken to the voice
14 of their brethren the children of Israel. And
the children of Benjamin gathered themselves
together out of the cities unto Gibeah, to go
out to battle against the children of Israel.
15 And the children of Benjamin were numbered
on that day out of the cities twenty and ²six
thousand men that drew sword, besides the
inhabitants of Gibeah, which were numbered
16 seven hundred chosen men. Among all this
people there were seven hundred chosen men
lefthanded; every one could sling stones at an
hair-breadth, and not miss.
17 And the men of Israel, beside Benjamin,
were numbered four hundred thousand men that
18 drew sword: all these were men of war. And
the children of Israel arose, and went up to
Beth-el, and asked counsel of God; and they
said, Who shall go up for us first to battle
against the children of Benjamin? And the
19 LORD said, Judah *shall go up* first. And the
children of Israel rose up in the morning, and
20 encamped against Gibeah. And the men of
Israel went out to battle against Benjamin;
and the men of Israel set the battle in array
21 against them at Gibeah. And the children of
Benjamin came forth out of Gibeah, and de-
stroyed down to the ground of the Israelites on
22 that day twenty and two thousand men. And
the people, the men of Israel, encouraged them-
selves, and set the battle again in array in the
place where they set themselves in array the
23 first day. (And the children of Israel went up
and wept before the LORD until even; and they
asked of the LORD, saying, Shall I again draw
nigh to battle against the children of Benjamin
my brother? And the LORD said, Go up
against him.)

¹ Another reading is, *the children of Benjamin.*

² According to some ancient authorities, *five.*

And the children of Israel came near against²⁴
the children of Benjamin the second day. And²⁵
Benjamin went forth against them out of Gibeah
the second day, and destroyed down to the
ground of the children of Israel again eighteen
thousand men ; all these drew the sword. Then²⁶
all the children of Israel, and all the people,
went up, and came unto Beth-el, and wept, and
sat there before the LORD, and fasted that day
until even ; and they offered burnt offerings and
peace offerings before the LORD. And the²⁷
children of Israel asked of the LORD, (for the
ark of the covenant of God was there in those
days, and Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son²⁸
of Aaron, stood before it in those days,) saying,
Shall I yet again go out to battle against the
children of Benjamin my brother, or shall I
cease ? And the LORD said, Go up ; for to-
morrow I will deliver him into thine hand.
And Israel set liers in wait against Gibeah²⁹
round about.

And the children of Israel went up against³⁰
the children of Benjamin on the third day, and
set themselves in array against Gibeah, as at
other times. And the children of Benjamin³¹
went out against the people, and were drawn
away from the city ; and they began to smite
and kill of the people, as at other times, in the
high ways, of which one goeth up to Beth-el, and
the other to Gibeah, in the field, about thirty
men of Israel. And the children of Benjamin³²
said, They are smitten down before us, as at the
first. But the children of Israel said, Let us
flee, and draw them away from the city unto
the high ways. And all the men of Israel rose³³
up out of their place, and set themselves in
array at Baal-tamar : and the liers in wait of
Israel brake forth out of their place, even out of

- 34 ¹Maareh-geba. And there came over against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and the battle was sore: but they knew
 35 not that evil was ²close upon them. And the LORD smote Benjamin before Israel: and the children of Israel destroyed of Benjamin that day twenty and five thousand and an hundred men: all these drew the sword.
- 36 So the children of Benjamin saw that they were smitten: for the men of Israel gave place to Benjamin, because they trusted unto the liers in wait which they had set against Gibeah.
- 37 And the liers in wait hasted, and rushed upon Gibeah; and the liers in wait drew themselves along, and smote all the city with the edge of
 38 the sword. Now the appointed sign between the men of Israel and the liers in wait was, that they should make a great cloud of smoke rise
 39 up out of the city. ³And the men of Israel turned in the battle, and Benjamin began to smite and kill of the men of Israel about thirty persons: for they said, Surely they are smitten
 40 down before us, as in the first battle. But when the cloud began to arise up out of the city in a pillar of smoke, the Benjamites looked behind them, and, behold, the whole of the city
 41 went up *in smoke* to heaven. And the men of Israel turned, and the men of Benjamin were amazed: for they saw that evil was come upon
 42 them. Therefore they turned their backs before the men of Israel unto the way of the wilderness; but the battle followed hard after them; and ⁴they which came out of the cities destroyed
 43 them in the midst thereof. They inclosed the Benjamites round about, *and* chased them, *and*
⁵trode them down ⁶at *their* resting place, as far as over against Gibeah toward the sunrising.
- 44 And there fell of Benjamin eighteen thousand

¹ Or, *the meadow of Geba* (or *Gibeah* See ver. 10)
² Heb. *touching*.

³ Or, *And the men...battle: (now Benjamin...heaven:) and the men &c.*

⁴ Or, *them which came ...they destroyed*

⁵ Or, *overtook them*

⁶ Or, *at Menuhah*

men ; all these *were* men of valour. And they 45
 turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the
 rock of Rimmon : and they gleaned of them
 in the high ways five thousand men ; and fol-
 lowed hard after them unto Gidom, and smote
 of them two thousand men. So that all which 46
 fell that day of Benjamin were twenty and five
 thousand men that drew the sword ; all these
were men of valour. But six hundred men 47
 turned and fled toward the wilderness unto
 the rock of Rimmon, and abode in the rock of
 Rimmon four months. And the men of Israel 48
 turned again upon the children of Benjamin,
 and smote them with the edge of the sword,
 both ¹the entire city, and the cattle, and all that
 they found : moreover all the cities which they
 found they set on fire.

¹ Or, as other-
 wise read, *the*
inhabited city
 See Deut. ii.
 34.

Now the men of Israel had sworn in Mizpah, **1 21**
 saying, There shall not any of us give his
 daughter unto Benjamin to wife. And the **2**
 people came to Beth-el, and sat there till even
 before God, and lifted up their voices, and wept
 sore. And they said, O LORD, the God of **3**
 Israel, why is this come to pass in Israel, that
 there should be to-day one tribe lacking in
 Israel ? And it came to pass on the morrow, **4**
 that the people rose early, and built there an
 altar, and offered burnt offerings and peace offer-
 ings. And the children of Israel said, Who is **5**
 there among all the tribes of Israel that came
 not up in the assembly unto the LORD ? For
 they had made a great oath concerning him
 that came not up unto the LORD to Mizpah,
 saying, He shall surely be put to death. And **6**
 the children of Israel repented them for Ben-
 jamin their brother, and said, There is one tribe
 cut off from Israel this day. How shall we do **7**
 for wives for them that remain, seeing we have

- sworn by the LORD that we will not give them
8 of our daughters to wives? And they said,
What one is there of the tribes of Israel that
came not up unto the LORD to Mizpah? And,
behold, there came none to the camp from
9 Jabesh-gilead to the assembly. For when the
people were numbered, behold, there were none
10 of the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead there. And
the congregation sent thither twelve thousand
men of the valiantest, and commanded them,
saying, Go and smite the inhabitants of Jabesh-
gilead with the edge of the sword, with the
11 women and the little ones. And this is the
thing that ye shall do; ye shall utterly destroy
every male, and every woman that hath lien by
12 man. And they found among the inhabitants of
Jabesh-gilead four hundred young virgins, that
had not known man by lying with him: and
they brought them unto the camp to Shiloh,
which is in the land of Canaan.
- 13 And the whole congregation sent and spake
to the children of Benjamin that were in the
rock of Rimmon, and proclaimed peace unto
14 them. And Benjamin returned at that time;
and they gave them the women which they had
saved alive of the women of Jabesh-gilead:
15 and yet so they sufficed them not. And the
people repented them for Benjamin, because
that the LORD had made a breach in the tribes
of Israel.
- 16 Then the elders of the congregation said,
How shall we do for wives for them that remain,
seeing the women are destroyed out of Ben-
17 jamin? And they said, There must be an
inheritance for them that are escaped of Ben-
jamin, that a tribe be not blotted out from
18 Israel. Howbeit we may not give them wives
of our daughters: for the children of Israel had

sworn, saying, Cursed be he that giveth a wife to Benjamin. And they said, Behold, there is ¹⁹

¹ Or, *the feast* ¹a feast of the LORD from year to year in Shiloh, which is on the north of Beth-el, on the east side of the high way that goeth up from Beth-el to Shechem, and on the south of Lebonah.

And they commanded the children of Benjamin, ²⁰ saying, Go and lie in wait in the vineyards; and see, and, behold, if the daughters of Shiloh ²¹ come out to dance in the dances, then come ye out of the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin. And it shall be, when ²²

² Or, *strive with us*

their fathers or their brethren come to ²complain unto us, that we will say unto them, Grant them

³ Or, *as a gift*

³graciously unto us: because we took not for each man *of them* his wife in battle: neither did ye give them unto them; else would ye now be guilty. And the children of Benjamin did so, ²³ and took them wives, according to their number, of them that danced, whom they carried off: and they went and returned unto their inheritance, and built the cities, and dwelt in them. And the children of Israel departed thence at ²⁴ that time, every man to his tribe and to his family, and they went out from thence every man to his inheritance. In those days there ²⁵ was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes.

THE
BOOK OF RUTH.

- 1 ¹ AND it came to pass in the days when the judges judged, that there was a famine in the land. And a certain man of Beth-lehem-judah went to sojourn in the ¹country of Moab, he, ¹ Heb. *field*.
2 and his wife, and his two sons. And the name of the man was Elimelech, and the name of his wife ²Naomi, and the name of his two sons ² Heb. *Noomi*.
3 Mahlon and Chilion, Ephrathites of Beth-lehem-judah. And they came into the country of Moab, and continued there. And Elimelech Naomi's husband died; and she was left, and her
4 two sons. And they took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one was Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth: and
5 they dwelled there about ten years. And Mahlon and Chilion died both of them; and the woman was left of her two children and
6 of her husband. Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might return from the country of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how that the LORD had

visited his people in giving them bread. And 7
she went forth out of the place where she was,
and her two daughters in law with her; and
they went on the way to return unto the land
of Judah. And Naomi said unto her two 8
daughters in law, Go, return each of you to her
mother's house: the LORD deal kindly with
you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with
me. The LORD grant you that ye may find 9
rest, each of you in the house of her husband.
Then she kissed them; and they lifted up their
voice, and wept. And they said unto her, Nay, 10
but we will return with thee unto thy people.
And Naomi said, Turn again, my daughters: 11
why will ye go with me? have I yet sons in
my womb, that they may be your husbands?
Turn again, my daughters, go your way; for I 12
am too old to have an husband. If I should
say, I have hope, if I should even have an
husband to-night, and should also bear sons;
would ye therefore tarry till they were grown? 13
would ye therefore stay from having husbands?
nay, my daughters; for ¹it grieveth me much
for your sakes, for the hand of the LORD is gone
forth against me. And they lifted up their 14
voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her
mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her. And 15
she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back
unto her people, and unto her god: return thou
after thy sister in law. And Ruth said, Intreat 16
me not to leave thee, and to return from follow-
ing after thee: for whither thou goest, I will
go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy
people shall be my people, and thy God my
God: where thou diest, will I die, and there 17
will I be buried: the LORD do so to me, and
more also, if aught but death part thee and me.
And when she saw that she was stedfastly 18

¹ Or, it is far
more bitter for
me than for
you

minded to go with her, she left speaking unto
 19 her. So they two went until they came to
 Beth-lehem. And it came to pass, when they
 were come to Beth-lehem, that all the city was
 moved about them, and *the women* said, Is this
 20 Naomi? And she said unto them, Call me not
¹Naomi, call me ²Mara: for the Almighty hath
 21 dealt very bitterly with me. I went out full,
 and the LORD hath brought me home again
 empty: why call ye me Naomi, seeing the LORD
 hath testified against me, and the Almighty
 22 hath afflicted me? So Naomi returned, and
 Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter in law, with
 her, which returned out of the country of Moab:
 and they came to Beth-lehem in the beginning
 of barley harvest.

¹ That is,
Pleasant.

² That is,
Bitter.

2 1 And Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's,
 a mighty man of ³wealth, of the family of ³Or, *valour*
 2 Elimelech; and his name was Boaz. And Ruth
 the Moabitess said unto Naomi, Let me now go
 to the field, and glean among the ears of corn
 after him in whose sight I shall find grace. And
 3 she said unto her, Go, my daughter. And she
 went, and came and gleaned in the field after
 the reapers: and her hap was to light on the
 portion of the field belonging unto Boaz, who
 4 was of the family of Elimelech. And, behold,
 Boaz came from Beth-lehem, and said unto the
 reapers, The LORD be with you. And they
 5 answered him, The LORD bless thee. Then
 said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the
 6 reapers, Whose damsel is this? And the servant
 that was set over the reapers answered and
 said, It is the Moabitish damsel that came
 back with Naomi out of the country of Moab:
 7 and she said, Let me glean, I pray you, and
 gather after the reapers among the sheaves: so
 she came, and hath continued even from the

morning until now, save that she tarried a little
 in the house. Then said Boaz unto Ruth, 8
 Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to
 glean in another field, neither pass from hence,
 but abide here fast by my maidens. Let thine 9
 eyes be on the field that they do reap, and go
 thou after them: have I not charged the young
 men that they shall not touch thee? and when
 thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink
 of that which the young men have drawn.
 Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to 10
 the ground, and said unto him, Why have I
 found grace in thy sight, that thou shouldest
 take knowledge of me, seeing I am a stranger?
 And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath 11
 fully been shewed me, all that thou hast done
 unto thy mother in law since the death of thine
 husband: and how thou hast left thy father and
 thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and
 art come unto a people which thou knewest not
 heretofore. The LORD recompense thy work, 12
 and a full reward be given thee of the LORD,
 the God of Israel, under whose wings thou art
 come to take refuge. Then she said, Let me 13
 find grace in thy sight, my lord; for that thou
 hast comforted me, and for that thou hast
 spoken ¹kindly unto thine handmaid, though I
 be not as one of thine handmaidens. And at 14
 meal-time Boaz said unto her, Come hither, and
 eat of the bread, and dip thy morsel in the
 vinegar. And she sat beside the reapers: and
²they reached her parched corn, and she did eat,
 and was sufficed, and left thereof. And when 15
 she was risen up to glean, Boaz commanded his
 young men, saying, Let her glean even among
 the sheaves, and reproach her not. And also 16
 pull out some for her from the bundles, and
 leave it, and let her glean, and rebuke her not.

¹ Heb. *to the heart of.*

² Or, *he*

- 17 So she gleaned in the field until even ; and she
 beat out that she had gleaned, and it was about
 18 an ephah of barley. And she took it up, and
 went into the city : and her mother in law saw
 what she had gleaned : and she brought forth
 and gave to her that she had left after she was
 19 sufficed. And her mother in law said unto her,
 Where hast thou gleaned to-day ? and where
 wroughtest thou ? blessed be he that did take
 knowledge of thee. And she shewed her mother
 in law with whom she had wrought, and said,
 The man's name with whom I wrought to-day
 20 is Boaz. And Naomi said unto her daughter
 in law, Blessed be he of the LORD, who hath
 not left off his kindness to the living and to the
 dead. And Naomi said unto her, The man is
 nigh of kin unto us, ¹one of our near kinsmen. *¹ Or, one of
 them that hath
 the right to
 redeem for us
 See Lev. xxv.
 25.*
 21 And Ruth the Moabitess said, Yea, he said
 unto me, Thou shalt keep fast by my young
 22 men, until they have ended all my harvest. And
 Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter in law, It
 is good, my daughter, that thou go out with
 his maidens, and that they meet thee not in any
 23 other field. So she kept fast by the maidens of
 Boaz to glean unto the end of barley harvest
 and of wheat harvest ; and she dwelt with her
 mother in law.
 3 1 And Naomi her mother in law said unto her,
 My daughter, shall I not seek ²rest for thee, *² Or, a resting
 place*
 2 that it may be well with thee ? And now is
 there not Boaz our kinsman, with whose maidens
 thou wast ? Behold, he winnoweth barley to-
 3 night in the threshing-floor. Wash thyself
 therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment
 upon thee, and get thee down to the threshing-
 floor : but make not thyself known unto the
 man, until he shall have done eating and drink-
 4 ing. And it shall be, when he lieth down,

that thou shalt mark the place where he shall lie, and thou shalt go in, and uncover his feet, and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do. And she said unto ⁵ her, All that thou ¹sayest I will do. And ⁶ she went down unto the threshing-floor, and did according to all that her mother in law bade her. And when Boaz had eaten and ⁷ drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down. And it came to pass at ⁸ midnight, that the man was ²afraid, and turned himself: and, behold, a woman lay at his feet. And he said, Who art thou? And she an- ⁹ swered, I am Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art ³a near kinsman. And he said, Blessed ¹⁰ be thou of the LORD, my daughter: thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst not young men, whether poor or rich. And ¹¹ now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou sayest: for all the ⁴city of my people doth know that thou art a virtuous woman. And now it is true that I am a near ¹² kinsman: howbeit there is a kinsman nearer than I. Tarry this night, and it shall be in ¹³ the morning, that if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, as the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning. And she lay at ¹⁴ his feet until the morning: and she rose up before one could discern another. For he said, Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing-floor. And he said, Bring the ¹⁵

¹ Another reading is, sayest unto me.

² Or, startled

³ Or, one that hath the right to redeem
Heb. goel.

⁴ Heb. gate.
See ch. iv. 1,
11.

mantle that is upon thee, and hold it; and she held it: and he measured six *measures* of barley, and laid it on her: and ¹he went
 16 into the city. And when she came to her mother in law, she said, ²Who art thou, my daughter? And she told her all that the man
 17 had done to her. And she said, These six *measures* of barley gave he me; for he ³said,
 18 Go not empty unto thy mother in law. Then said she, Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not rest, until he have finished the thing this day.

4 ¹ Now Boaz went up to the gate, and sat him down there: and, behold, the ⁴near kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here.
² And he turned aside, and sat down. And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, Sit ye down here. And they sat down.
³ And he said unto the near kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the country of Moab, selleth the parcel of land, which was our brother
 4 Elimelech's: and I thought to ⁵disclose it unto thee, saying, Buy it before them that sit here, and before the elders of my people. If thou wilt redeem it, redeem it: but if ⁶thou wilt not redeem it, then tell me, that I may know: for there is none to redeem it beside thee; and I am after thee. And he said, I will
 5 redeem it. Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy it also of Ruth the Moabite, the wife of the dead, to raise up the name of the dead
 6 upon his inheritance. And the near kinsman said, I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I mar mine own inheritance: take thou my right of redemption on thee; for I cannot redeem it.
 7 Now this was *the custom* in former time in

¹ Or, according to some ancient authorities, *she went*

² Or, *How hast thou fared*

³ Another reading is, *said to me.*

⁴ See ch. ii. 20.

⁵ Heb. *uncover thine ear.*

⁶ So many ancient authorities. The printed Hebrew text has, *he will.*

Israel concerning redeeming and concerning exchanging, for to confirm all things; a man drew off his shoe, and gave it to his neighbour: and this was the *manner of* attestation in Israel. So the near kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy it 8 for thyself. And he drew off his shoe. And 9 Boaz said unto the elders, and unto all the people, Ye are witnesses this day, that I have bought all that was Elimelech's, and all that was Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi. Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mah- 10 lon, have I purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance, that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: ye are witnesses this day. And all the 11 people that were in the gate, and the elders, said, We are witnesses. The LORD make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and ¹do thou worthily in Ephrathah, and be famous in Beth-lehem: and let thy house 12 be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which the LORD shall give thee of this young woman. So Boaz took 13 Ruth, and she became his wife; and he went in unto her, and the LORD gave her conception, and she bare a son. And the women said unto 14 Naomi, Blessed be the LORD, which hath not left thee this day without a near kinsman, and let his name be famous in Israel. And he shall 15 be unto thee a restorer of life, and a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter in law, which loveth thee, which is better to thee than seven sons, hath borne him. And Naomi took the 16 child, and laid it in her bosom, and became nurse unto it. And the women her neighbours 17 gave it a name, saying, There is a son born to

¹ Or, get thee
wealth or
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Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he is the father of ¹Jesse, the father of David.

¹ Heb. *Ishai*.

¹⁸ Now these are the generations of Perez:

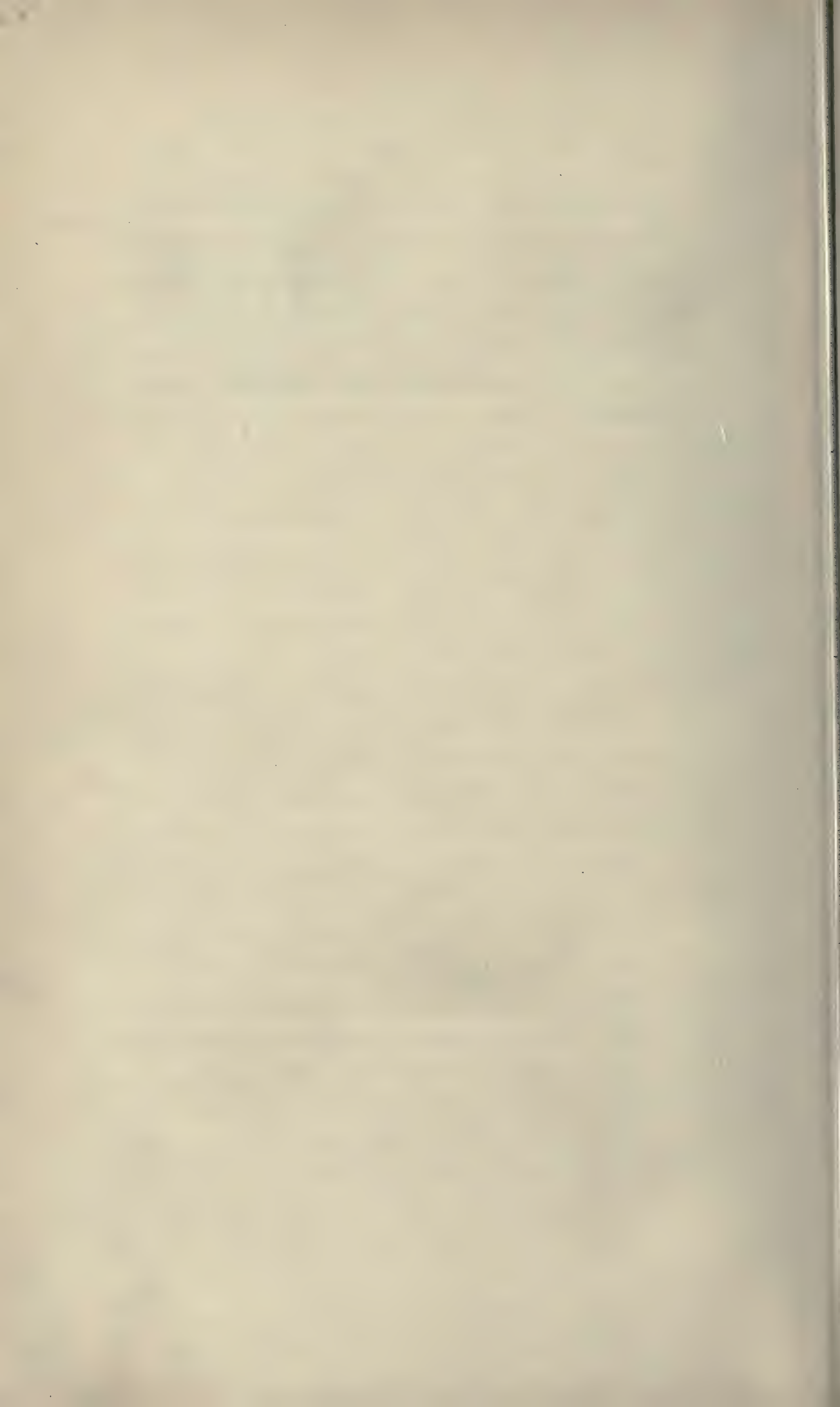
¹⁹ Perez begat Hezron; and Hezron begat Ram,

²⁰ and Ram begat Amminadab; and Amminadab begat Nahshon, and Nahshon begat ²Salmon;

² Heb. *Salmah*.

²¹ and Salmon begat Boaz, and Boaz begat

²² Obed; and Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.



APPENDIX.

The American Old Testament Revision Company, while recognizing the cordial acceptance given to many of their suggestions, present the following instances in which they differ from the English Company, as of sufficient importance to be appended to the Revision in accordance with the original agreement.

CLASSES OF PASSAGES.

- I. Substitute the Divine name "Jehovah" wherever it occurs in the Hebrew text, for "the LORD" and "GOD" and omit the marg. at "the LORD" at Gen. ii. 4, and "Heb. *Jehovah*" from the marg. at Ex. iii. 15; also substitute "Jehovah" for "the LORD" or "Jah" wherever the latter occurs in the Hebrew text, and retain or insert "Heb. *Jah*" in the marg.; where "Jehovah" immediately follows, viz. in Is. xii. 2, xxvi. 4, read "Jehovah, *even* Jehovah" and omit "*Jehovah*" from the marg.
- II. Substitute "Sheol" wherever it occurs in the Hebrew text, for the renderings "the grave" "the pit" and "hell" and omit these renderings from the marg.
- III. Substitute "a" for "an", "my" for "mine" and "thy" for "thine" wherever followed by "h" *aspirated*.
- IV. Substitute "who" or "that" for "which" when used of persons.
- V. Substitute "are" for "be" in the present indicative, and omit "for" before infinitives.
- VI. Omit from the margin all renderings from the LXX., Vulgate, and other ancient Versions or "authorities"
- VII. The following substitutions are preferred, with the necessary inflectional variations:
 - "adder" for "basilisk"
 - "annul" for "disannul"
 - "ascent" for "going up" when used as a noun.
 - "astonished" for "astonied"
 - "a year old" for "of the first year"
 - "base man" for "man of Belial" or "son of B."; "base woman" for "daughter of Belial"; "base men" for "men of Belial" "sons of B." or "children of B."
 - "before" for "afore"; also for "or ever" except in Ps. xc. 2; Eccl. xii. 1, 2, 6.
 - "blow the trumpet" for "blow with (or, "blow up") the trumpet"
 - "boil" "boiled" for "seethe" "sod" "sodden"
 - "bonds" for "bands" in Job xxxix. 5, and elsewhere uniformly for the same Hebrew word.
 - "capital" for "chapiter"
 - "chiefs" for "dukes"

- “contend” for “plead” in Judg. vi. 31 (three times) and so wherever the latter rendering represents the same Hebrew verb unless followed by “cause”, except in Is. i. 17. But substitute “enter into judgment” for “plead” in Jer. xxv. 31; Ezek. xvii. 20; xx. 35, 36 (twice).
- “courses” for “rows” of timber or stone.
- “devise” for “imagine” in Ps. x. 2; xxi. 11; cxi. 2; Hos. vii. 15; Nah. i. 9, 11; Zech. vii. 10; viii. 17.
- “diminish” for “minish”
- “encamp” for “camp”; also, for “pitch” when used intransitively.
- “far be it from me” (“thee” etc.) for “God forbid”, except in 1 Sam. xiv. 45; xx. 2, where substitute “Far from it”
- “find favour” for “find grace”
- “food” for “meat”
- “fortified” for “fenced” and “defenced”
- “frighten” for “fray”
- “grain” for “corn”
- “harlot” for “whore” and “whorish woman”; “play the harlot” for “go a whoring” and “commit whoredom”
- “helped” for “holpen”
- “know” and “knew” for “wot” and “wist”
- “knoweth how” for “can skill” in 1 Kings v. 6; 2 Chron. ii. 7, 8.
- “lain” for “lien”
- “lamp” for “candle”
- “lovingkindness” for “mercy” in Gen. xix. 19; for “favour” in Job x. 12; for “goodness” in Ps. cvii. 8; “lovingkindnesses” for “mercies” in 2 Chron. vi. 42. So substitute “lovingkindness” for either of these renderings wherever it stands for the same Hebrew word (*hhésed*) when used of God; but substitute “kindness” for “mercy” in Ps. cix. 12, 16; for “favour” in Esth. ii. 17, and wherever either of these renderings stands for the same Hebrew word, when used of men in relation to each other. In Hos. vi. 4 retain “goodness” and make ver. 6 conform.
- “merciful” for “full of compassion”
- “mound” for “mount” (cast up by invaders)
- “new wine” for “wine” in Gen. xxvii. 28, and elsewhere uniformly for the same Hebrew word.
- “number” for “tell” in Gen. xv. 5 (twice); Ps. xlviii. 12; lvi. 8; Jer. xxxiii. 13; and “count” for “tell” in 1 Kings viii. 5; 2 Kings xii. 10; 2 Chron. v. 6; Ps. cxlvii. 4.
- “oil” for “ointment”
- “olive oil” for “oil olive”
- “perfumer” for “apothecary” and “confectionary”
- “perverse” (“perverseness”) for “froward” (“frowardness”) except in 2 Sam. xxii. 27; Job v. 13; Ps. xviii. 26; “wayward” for “perverse” in Prov. ii. 15; for “froward” in iv. 24; xvii. 20, and “cunning” for “froward” in Job v. 13.
- “put to shame” for “ashamed”

- "refine" for "fine" (metal). So "refiner" for "finer"
- "scoffer" for "scorner" and "scoffing" for "scornful" and "scorning"
- "settings" for "ouches"
- "since" for "sith"
- "sitteth *above*" (the cherubim) for "sitteth upon" with marg. Or, *is enthroned*
- "skill" for "cunning" (noun) and "skilful" for "cunning" (adj.) when either relates to workman or work.
- "stench" for "stink", when used as a noun.
- "stronghold" for "hold", when used as a noun.
- "take refuge" for "trust" (Deut. xxxii. 37) for "put . . . trust" (Ps. ii. 12), and so uniformly as the rendering of the same Hebrew verb.
- "therewith" for "withal" in Ex. xxv. 29; xxx. 4; xxxvii. 16; Lev. xi. 21.
- "trespass offering" for "guilt offering"
- "uncover" for "discover" except in 1 Sam. xiv. 8, 11, and xxii. 6.
- "wail" for "howl" where it is used of persons.
- "wait for" for "wait on" in Ps. xxv. 3, and so uniformly as the rendering of the same Hebrew verb, except in Ps. lii. 9.
- "which" for "the which"
- "winnow" for "fan" (the verb)
- "wrath" for "fury" when it is attributed to God, except in Is. xlii. 25; lxvi. 15, and "wrathful" for "furious"

VIII. The modern spelling is preferred for the following words:

- "basin" for "bason"
- "brazen" for "brasen"
- "caterpillar" for "caterpillar"
- "ceiled" and "ceiling" for "cieled" and "cieling"
- "chapped" for "chapt"
- "crookbacked" for "crookbackt"
- "drove" for "drave"
- "establish" for "stablish"
- "forego" for "forgo"
- "jubilee" for "jubile"
- "judgment" for "judgement"
- "plaster" for "plaister"
- "prancing" for "pransing"
- "prized" for "prised"
- "show" for "shew"
- "streaks" for "strakes" and "ring-streaked" for "ringstraked"
- "subtile" for "subtil"
- "thoroughly" for "throughly"
- "while" for "whiles"
- "winevat" for "winefat"

GENESIS.

- XII. 16 For "entreated Abram well" read "dealt well with Abram"
 XV. 2 For "Dammeseke Eliezer" read "Eliezer of Damascus"
 XVIII. 19 For "justice and judgement" read "righteousness and justice" So in Prov. xxi. 3.
 XXIII. 6 Substitute the marg. ("*a prince of God*") for the text.
 XXVII. 15 For "raiment" read "garments"
 XXXII. 31 For "halted" read "went halting"
 XXXIII. 13 For "give suck" read "have their young"
 XXXIV. 30 For "to stink among" read "odious to"
 XXXV. 5 Substitute the marg. ("*a terror of God*") for the text.
 16 For "way" read "distance" So in xlviii. 7, and in marg. of 2 Kings v. 19.
 XLIX. 3 For "excellency" read "pre-eminence" (twice) So in ver. 4.
 4 For "Unstable" read "Boiling over" and omit the marg.

EXODUS.

- I. 21 For "houses" read "households"
 V. 22, 23 For "evil entreated" read "dealt ill with" So in Deut. xxvi. 6.
 XV. 9 For "lust" read "desire"
 15 For "amazed" read "dismayed" So in Judg. xx. 41.
 XVII. 14 Add marg. to "a book" Or, *the book*
 XIX. 5 For "a peculiar treasure unto me" read "mine own possession" So for "a peculiar treasure" in Mal. iii. 17.
 XXI. 29 For "but that" read "but"
 XXIII. 5 Read "thou shalt forbear to leave him, thou shalt surely release *it* with him."
 21 For "of him" read "before him"
 XXV. 38 For "tongs" read "snuffers" So in Num. iv. 9; 2 Chron. iv. 21.
 XXVII. 21 For "order it" read "keep it in order" So in Lev. xxiv. 3, 4.
 XXXIV. 6 For "plenteous" read "abundant" So in Num. xiv. 18; Neh. ix. 17; Ps. lxxxvi. 5, 15; ciii. 8; Joel ii. 13; Jon. iv. 2.
 XXXVIII. 8 For "serving . . . served" read "ministering . . . ministered"

LEVITICUS.

- IX. 2 For "bull calf" read "calf of the herd"
 XVI. 8 Marg.¹ For "*dismissal*" read "*removal*"
 XVIII. 18 For "woman" read "wife"

NUMBERS.

- V. 21, 22 For "belly" read "body" So in xxv. 8 ; Judg. iii. 21, 22 ; Prov. xviii. 8.
- VII. 13 For "charger" read "platter" So throughout the Chap. and in Ezra i. 9 (twice).
- XIX. 9, 13, 20, 21 For "of separation" read "for impurity" So in xxxi. 23.
- XXIII. 21 To "perverseness" add marg. Or, *trouble*

DEUTERONOMY.

- III. 25 To "mountain" add marg. Or, *hill country*
- IV. 29 Read "But from thence ye shall seek . . . and thou shalt find him when thou searchest" etc.
- 34 Substitute the marg. ("*trials*") for the text. So in vii. 19 ; xxix. 3.
- VII. 6 For "a peculiar people unto himself" read "a people for his own possession" So in xiv. 2 ; xxvi. 18.
- IX. 1 For "possess" read "dispossess" So in xi. 23 ; xii. 2, 29 ; xviii. 14 ; xxxi. 3.
- XVII. 15 For "in any wise" read "surely" So in xxii. 7.
- XXIII. 16 For "liketh" read "pleaseth" So in Esth. viii. 8 ; Am. iv. 5.
- XXVI. 17 For "shouldest" read "wouldest"
- XXVIII. 53 For "straitness . . . straiten" read "distress . . . distress" So in verses 55, 57 and in Jer. xix. 9.
- 67 For "Would God" read "Would"
- XXXI. 21 For "go about, even now" read "frame this day"
- XXXII. 27 For "misdeem" read "judge amiss"
- 39 For "have wounded" read "wound"
- XXXIII. 3 For "peoples" read "people"
- 6 For "Yet" read "Nor" and add marg. Or, *But*
- 14 Add marg. to "moons" Or, *months*

JOSHUA.

- II. 9 For "your terror" read "the fear of you"
- IV. 24 For "they" read "ye" omitting marg.¹
- V. 11 Substitute marg.² ("*produce*") for the text. So in ver. 12.
- 14, 15 Substitute marg.³ ("*prince*") for the text.
- VIII. 33 Let the marg. ("*commanded*" etc.) and the text exchange places.
- IX. 5 For "clouted" read "patched"
- XVI. 1 Read "And the lot came out for the children of Joseph"

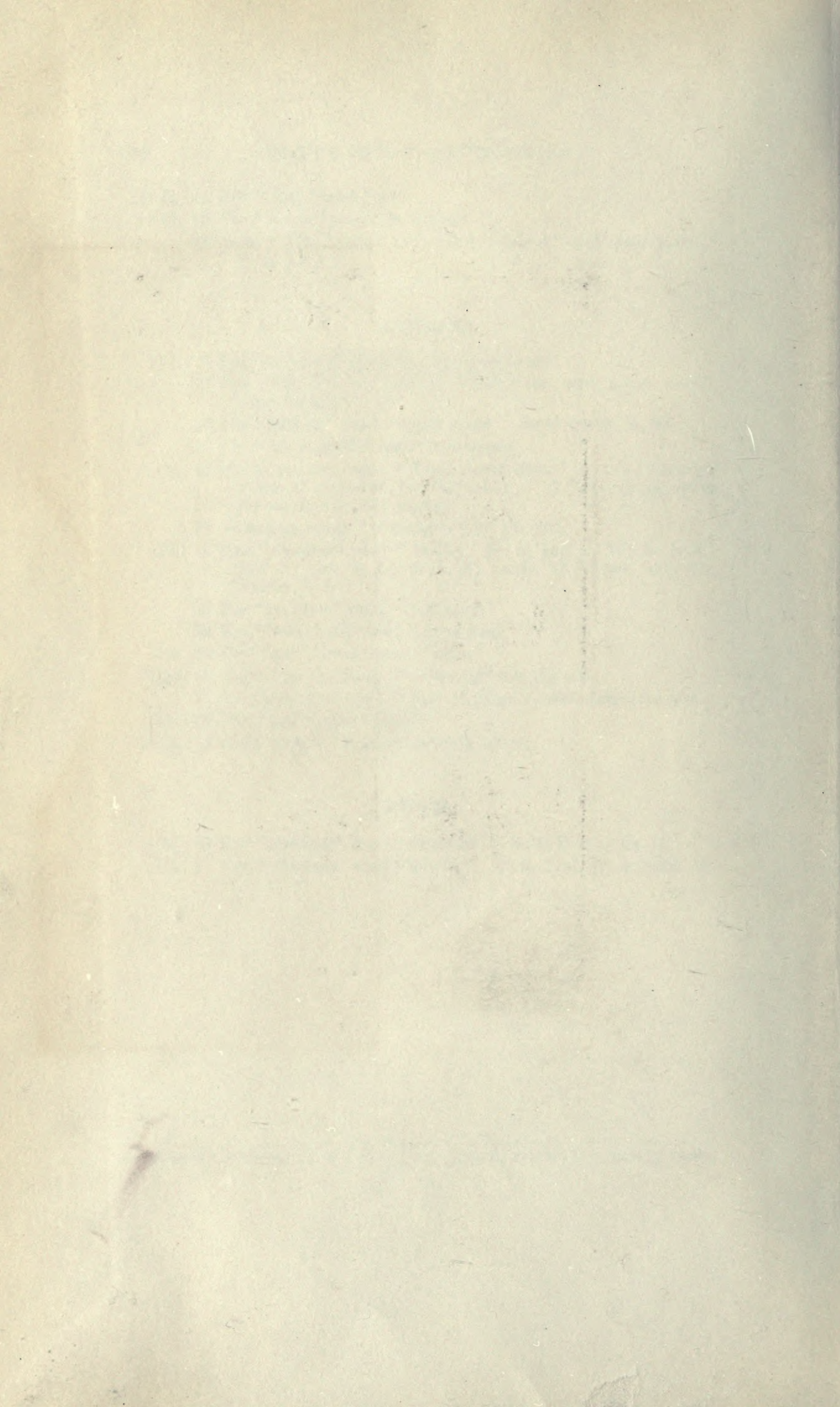
- XVII. 2 For "And" read "So"
 XXII. 10 For "see to" read "look upon"
 22 Read "The Mighty One, God, Jehovah" and omit marg.²
 So in Ps. I. 1.

JUDGES.

- III. 1 For "as many" read "as many of Israel"
 20 For "his summer parlour" read "the cool upper room"
 Omit marg.²
 23 For "parlour" read "upper room" So in verses 24, 25.
 24 For "his summer" read "the upper"
 V. 13 Prefix to marg. upon "Then came down" etc. Or, *Then go down, O remnant, for the nobles . . . O Jehovah, go down for me against the mighty*
 26 Substitute marg.⁴ ("tent-pin") for the text.
 IX. 15 For "shadow" read "shade" So in Job xl. 22; Is. iv. 6;
 xvi. 3; xxv. 4, 5; xxxii. 2; xxxiv. 15; Ezek. xvii. 23;
 Jon. iv. 5, 6.
 33 For "set upon" read "rush upon"
 52 For "went hard" read "drew near"
 XI. 39 For "had known" read "knew"
 XIII. 12 Substitute the marg. ("*ordering*") for the text.
 Substitute the marg. ("*how shall we do unto him*") for text.
 XV. 15 For "new" read "fresh"
 XIX. 3 Omit marg.³ "Another reading is" etc.

RUTH.

- II. 10 For "stranger" read "foreigner" So in 2 Sam. xv. 19.
 III. 11 For "virtuous" read "worthy" So in Prov. xii. 4; xxxi. 10.



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